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Can't pass directions on suspicion: SC on EVMs

The Supreme Court on Wednesday said it cannot "control the elections" or issue directions simply because doubts have been raised about the efficacy of EVMs, as it reserved its judgement on a clutch of petitions claiming the polling devices can be tinkered with to manipulate the results. It said it cannot change the thought process of those doubting the advantages of polling machines and advocating going back to ballot papers.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform the general public that **REPCO Home Finance Limited , Peenya Bengaluru ,** Intends to accept the under mentioned property standing in the name of Mrs. Meena Poojari L W/o Mr. Prathap Narayanappa as a security for the loan/credit facility requested by Mrs. Meena Poojari L W/o Mr. Prathap Narayanappa.

In case anyone has got any right, title or interest, claim whatsoever over the under mentioned property, they are advised to approach the compay and undersigned within 7 days from the date of this publication, along with the necessary proof to substantiate their claim.

If no response is received **within 7 days,** it is presumed that the property is free of any charge/claim/encumberance and the **REPCO Home Finance Limited , Peenya Bengaluru** shall proceed with the mortgage.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of the Site No.8, Property No.66/1, Old Khatha No.278, Present BBMP Khatha No.278/66/1, Serial No.8632, situated at Panathur Village, Varthur Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, now comes under BBMP limits, measuring East to West 60 Feet and North to South 40 Feet, totally measuring 2400 Sq.feet. And bounded on:East : Road, West : Hanumappa's Property, North: Site No.7, South: Site No.9.

Branch Details: REPCO Home Finance Limited , No. 42, 1st Floor, Dasarahalli Hesaraghatta Main Road, Opp to Patidar Samaj Bhavan, Bangalore - 560 057. Ph. No 080- 23726789

E-mail ID: pen@repcohome.com

Advocates : M/s. Shashidhar Law Associaets,
No. 4, Third Floor, 1st Main, 2nd Block, 3rd Stage,
Basveshwaranagar, Bangalore - 560 079, Mob : 9900237229

DOCUMENT LOST

I, **PREETHA SASHI,** age 56 years, W/o Sri T.K. Sashidharan, R/at No. 35, 7th Main, T.C. Palya Main Road, Near Smart Market, Hoysalanagar, Bangalore-560 016 do hereby inform to the general public that I have lost the following original documents pertaining to the immovable property bearing Site No. 16, Phase-1, in the layout formed by BDA at Avalahalli Village, Yelahanka Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, Bangalore while in transit at Vidyaranyapura, Bangalore between 26-03-2024 and 20-04-2024.

1. Possession Certificate issue by Bharat Electronics Employees' Co-opeartive House Building Society Lt, Bangalore-560013, dated 01-01-2011.
2. Katha issued by Bangalore Development Authority in the name of my father Sri T.N. Madhavan Nambiar dated 16-01-2013.
3. Sale Deed registered as No. YAN-1-2537-2010-11, stoted in CD No. YAND341, dated 20-10-2010, in the office of the Sub-Registrar, Yelahanka, Bangalore.

Inspite of my best efforts I could not trace the same and in this regard on 20-04-2024, I had lodged online complaint at Police Unit, Bengaluru City, Vide Lost Report No. 1021321/2024. If anybody finds the above said documents or is in possession, please handover the same to the above said address or contact me on 97411 95407

PUBLIC NOTICE

My clients Sri. Vasantha Kumar .S, Son of Late. Subbarayappa, Aged about 30 years, Residing at Chikkagattiganabbe Village, Doddagattiganabbe Post, Kasaba Hobli, Hoskote Taluk, Bangalore Rural District - 562 114 has entered into a sale agreement JDA & GPA in respect of the schedule property from its owner the legal heirs of Late. Muniga @ Munikaveriga and hereby informed to the public calling any objections, claims, charges, Lien etc., if any in respect of the schedule property may lodge their objections with documentary proof within **07 days** from the date of the publication of this notice, failing which, my client proceeds to complete the sale transactions.

SCHEDULE

All that piece and parcel of the property being agricultural land bearing Old Sy.No. 51, Old Sy.No. 51/4 measuring to an extent of 2 Acres 32 Guntas, situated at Chikkanayakanahalli Village, Vartur Hobli-2, Bangalore East Taluk, Bangalore and bounded on the: East by : Sy.No. 51/3, West by : Sy.No. 50 and Road, North by : Sy.No. 53 and South by: Sy.No. 49.

H. NAGARAJA
Advocate & Legal Consultant
S-3, 2nd Floor, 'Krishna Tower',
3rd Main, Opp. Sapna Book House,
Gandhinagar, Bengaluru - 560 009.
Mob : +91-9964465109

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform the General Public that **SRI.ASHOK KUMAR.P**, is the owner of immovable property mentioned in the schedule hereunder and they have lost the original Gift Deed dated 20/5/2005 Document No.917 / 2005-06, of Book-1, stored in C.D.No.51, executed by Sri.Panduranga.R in favour of Sri.Ashok Kumar.P, SRO: Basavanagudi, Bangalore, pertaining to the schedule property. In case anybody having any claims or in possession of the said document, shall inform the under singed and handover the same within **SEVEN DAYS** from the date of publication of this notice.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of the Eastern portion of property bearing site No.31, situated in Markandeya Layout old ward No.37, new Ward No.45, measuring East to West: 15 feet, North to South : 45 feet, totally measuring 675 sq feet and bounded on the : **East by :** Site No.32, **West by :** remaining portion of same property, **North by :** Road, **South by :** Site No.40.

N. JAGADEESH KUMAR, Advocate
No.30/1, 2nd Floor, 7th Cross,
Near NR Colony Bus Stand,
Opp. Hotel Dwaraka, Bangalore-560019.

PUBLIC NOTICE

My clients have negotiated to purchase the schedule detailed property from **Sri. Ramanna** son of late Huchaiah and his family members. Any person/s having any objection/s for the said transaction shall forward the same with all relevant documents within 15 days from the date of this notice to the undersigned. Any objection/s raised subsequent to the date of expiry so mentioned above, will be ignored by my clients and the transaction will be proceeded with.

SCHEDULE

All that piece and parcel of the lands measuring 1 A 04 G in Survey No.127/1 and lands measuring 1 A 06 G in Survey No.127/5 both situated at Jakkanahalli Village, Tyamagondlu Hobli, Nelamangala Taluk, Bengaluru Rural District, is bounded on the **East by:** Road, **West by:** Smt. Muniyammana's Lands, **North by:** Property owned by Spoorthy Machine Tools Private Limited and **South by:** Smt. Muniyammana's Lands.

B.G. SRIRAM, Advocate & Notary
CHAMBER: # 65, 13th Main, 4th Block
East Jayanagar, Bengaluru - 560 011
Ph: 080-2653 6651

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is an information to General Public that My Client/s 1. Mrs. DIVYA.S, 2. Mrs. Saravanan.T., have entered into Agreement of Sale for Purchase of the Schedule Property from its Owner Mrs. Madhumalathi, W/o. Late Narayanaswamy, R/at:# 48, 9th B Cross, 4th Block, Hennur Cross, Bangalore-560043. **any person/s, institutions or banks having any rights, share, claims, or objections to proposed purchase may file their objections to the proposed purchase may file in writing along copies of supporting documents within 10 days from the date of this publication to the purchaser's advocate at below mentioned address falling which my client will advised to go ahead and complete the formalities for registration of sale deed in respect of the Schedule Property.**

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that Piece and Parcel of Property Bearing House in Site No. 48, Property No. 41/1, BBMP Katha No. 194/41/1/48, Situated at 9th "B" Cross, Maruthi Layout, Hennur, Kasaba Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, Bangalore. The Schedule Property comes under the Jurisdiction of Bangalore Mahanagara Palike Limits Measuring East to West 30 Feet and North to South 40 Feet in all measuring Total Measuring 1200 Square Feet. and bounded on

East by: Private Property, **West by:** 20 Feet Road, **North by:** Site No 49, **South by:** Teresa Mariyappa Property.

SD/- SATISH PRASAD .R, Advocate
Office No. 68, 7th Cross, 5th Main,
N.B. Layout. Lingarajapuram,
St. Thomas Town, BANGALORE : 560 084.
Mobile: 8892346567 Dated 24-04-2024

XIII- BOND FOR PEACEKEEPING FORM NO. 12 (SEE CASES 106 AND 107)

Since I, Manjunath @ Kuppi, Halubavi Road, Varthur Village, Varthur, Bangalore City, the opponent, have been ordered to maintain good relations with the Government and all the citizens of India till one year from 04-04-2024 to 03-04-2025 in the case of DCP/YV/MAG/380/2024 pending in the Court of Deputy Commissioner of Police and Special Executive Magistrate Bangalore City and has been asked to give the personal bond, I hereby commit to be on good terms with the Government and all citizens of India during the said period. In case of default, as a response Government can forfeit the personal bond and I will pay a sum of Rupees 5,00,000/- (Five Lakhs) to the Government.

Date: 04.04.2024

Sd/- **Special Executive Magistrate's and Deputy Commissioner of Police, Whitefield Division, Bangalore Urban**

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Regional Office, Devanahalli.

No. 333, Matru Arcade, 2nd Floor, 19th Ward, B.B. Road, Devanahalli Town-562110, Bengaluru Rural District.

E-AUCTION NOTICE

SALE NOTICE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES THROUGH E-AUCTION (ONLINE AUCTION) UNDER RULES 8(6) & (9) OF THE SECURITY INTEREST (ENFORCEMENT) RULES 2002

Notice is hereby given to the effect that the immovable properties described herein, taken possession under the provisions of Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002 and Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002, will be sold on **AS IS WHERE IS, WHATEVER THERE IS AND WITHOUT RECOURSE BASIS"** under rule no. 8 & 9 of the security interest (Enforcement) Rules (hereinafter refferred tp as the rules) for the recovery of the dues details as under: By inviting tenders on the following terms & conditions. E-auction arranged by the service provider **M/S CANBANK COMPUTER SERVICES LTD,No 218, JPRoyale,1stFloor,SampigeRoad,Malleswaram,emailid-eauction@ccsl.co.in,ContactPerson-Mr.SathiathanKM/Mr.RameshT.H,ContactNumber-9480691777/8898418010/8880531165/080-23469661/62/64/65**

Sl. No.	Name of the Branch & Contact No.	Name of the Borrower/ Guarantor (s)	Total Liabilities Outstanding Amount	Property Discription	1) Reseve Price 2) EMD	1) EMD Account No. 2) IFSC Code 3) Bid Factor	1) Auction Date and Timings 2) Date & Time of Inspection
1.	**Nelamangala II Branch** Ph.No. 9686723057 Email : cb10490@canarabank.com	**1. G M Jayaprakash Dubari,** C O ACE Designers, Plot No 7 And 8, Peenya Industrial Area, Bangalore-560058. **2. Lakshmegowda H B** S/o. Bommegowda, 132/44 , Bhuvaneswari Nagar, T Dasarahalli, Bangalore 560057.	as on 22-04-2024s **Rs. 9,32,130.98** + Interest There on	All that Super Built up area 820 Sq. ft. (inclusive of common service area and balcony area) of FLAT NO. A6-205 IN SECOND FLOOR IN BLOCK NO. A IN JANAPRIYA 1ST AVENUE out of Schedule - B - Property in Survey No. 124/1B (old Survey No. 124), Situated at Arishinakunte Village, KasabaHobli, Nelamangala Taluk, Bangalore District, Bangalore, vide Katha No. 155, issued by ArshinaKunte Village Panchayath and **bounded as follows : East :** Passage to Staircase and lift, **West :** Open to sky. **North :** Open to sky, **South :** Flat No. A6-203.	**1) Rs. 22,30,200/- 2) EMD Rs. 2,23,020/- EMD Shall Deposited on or before 27-05-2024 5.00 p.m.**	**A/c. No. 209272434 IFSC Code : CNRB0010490 Bid Factor : 10,000/-**	**1) 29.05.2024, 10.30 AM to 11.30 AM 2) 23.05.2024 between 11.00 a.m. to 4.00 p.m.**
2.	**Doddaballapur Branch** Ph.No. 9483540664 Email : email : cb0664@canara-bank.com	**Sri Mahendra R J** S/o. Late Jayaramaiah T Rajaghatta Villege Doddaballapur Taluk Bengaluru Rural - 561203.	as on 01.02.2024 **Rs. 1,48,97,864.97** with interest thereon	EMT of all the part and parcel of the Property Khatha No. 53/380/4/61 situated at Rajaghatta Village, Kasaba Hobli, Doddaballapur Taluk measuring East to West 48 ft and North to South 64ft Total measuring 3070 sq ft. **Boundaries As Per Valuation Report/Sale Deed :- East by :** Property of Kyathegowda, **West by :** Property of anjinamma, **North by :** Property of R N Ramanjinappa, **South by :** Road.	**1) Rs. 24,72,300/- 2) EMD Rs. 2,47,230/- EMD Shall Deposited on or before 27-05-2024 5.00 p.m.**	**A/c. No. 209272434 IFSC Code : CNRB0000664 Bid Factor : 10,000/-**	**1) 29.05.2024, 10.30 AM to 11.30 AM 2) 23.05.2024 between 11.00 a.m. to 4.00 p.m.**

For detailed terms and conditions of the sale, please logon to our **website http://www.canarabank.com under "E-Auction"** or contact the respective branches.

Date: 23.04.2024, Place: Devanahalli

Sd/- Authorised Officer CANARA BANK

PUBLIC NOTICE

MY CLIENT INTENDS TO PURCHASE THE SCHEDULE PROPERTY FROM ITS OWNER **MR.R,RAGHU,** S/O. SRI. P. RAMAMURTHY, AGED ABOUT 46 YEARS, R/AT NO.34, KAVERI NAGAR D C HALLI MAIN ROAD, BOMMANAHALLI BANGALORE - 560068.AADHAAR NO.968525272522.

Any person/s or any organization or Financial Institute Asserting any rights, title, claim or charge in the schedule property ,having any claims against the property/or its owner/s to such sale in favour of my client should write to the undersigned within **5 Days** from issuing of this public Notice. With all documentary proof/s on which they are their rights over the schedule property or any part thereof after which period my client shall proceed on the basis that there is no claims of whatsoever nature with regards to the schedule property.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

ALL THAT PIECE PORTION OF PROPERTY BEARING **SITE NO.72** IN OLD NO.33, HOUSE LIST NO.72, NEW KATHA NO.433/33, BBMP KATHA NO.433/33/72, SITUATED AT NAGANATHAPURA.BEGUR HOBLI BANGALORE SOUTH TALUK. BBMP WARD NO.191. BANGALORE, MEASURING EAST TO WEST 30 FEET, NORTH TO SOUTH 40 FEET TOTALLY MEASURING 1200 SQ FEET. BOUNDED ON EAST BY: PROPERTY NO.71, WEST BY :PROPERTY NO.73, NORTH BY : ROAD, SOUTH BY :SITE NO.83.

S. RASHEED SAHEB, ADVOCATE
No.38, 6th B Cross Balajinagara
DRC Post Bangalore-29.
(M) 09448569509, 9740893190.
Mail Id: rasheed.sab12@gmail.com
Date: 16-04-2024

IN THE COURT OF THE 14th ADDL CITY CIVIL JUDGE, AT BENGALURU (CCH: 28)

O.S. No. 7205/2023

BETWEEN: Smt. N. Anuradha, Aged about 51 years, D/o. Sri. V. Natarajan, At: Canopy Citadel, Horamavu, Agara Main Road, Kalyan Nagar Post, Bangalore 560 043. Rep by her GPA holder Sri. Suresh .S, S/o Shanmugam .P ...**PLAINTIFF**

AND: Smt. Prathibha Reddy & Ors ... DEFENDANTS

SUIT SUMMONS TO DEFENDANT NO.3 to 5 and No.19

3. M/s. Solidblock Builders, A partnership firm having its office at Flat No.301, 3rd Floor, Motati Meadows, Nagavarapalya Main Road, Old Madras Road, C. V. Raman Nagar Post, Bengaluru-560 093. **4. Sri. Pradeep K. Raju,** aged about 46 years, Managing Partner M/s. Solidblock Builders, At Flat No.301, 3rd Floor, Motati Meadows, Nagavarapalya Main Road, Old Madras Road, C. V. Raman Nagar Post, Bengaluru-560 093. **5. Sri. Madhu B.M,** aged about 34 years, Managing Partner, M/s. Solidblock Builders, At Flat No.301, 3rd Floor, Motati Meadows, Nagavarapalya Main Road, Old Madras Road, C. V. Raman Nagar Post, Bengaluru-560 093. **19. Sri. Srinath .N.M,** aged about 41 years, S/o. Sri. Muninarayana N. L, Flat No.401, 4th Floor, 'Elite', 26th 'C' Cross, Kaggadasapura, C.V. Raman Nagar, Bengaluru-560 093 ...**DEFENDANTS**

SUIT SUMMONS TO THE DEFENDANTS

WHEREAS the Plaintiff has instituted the above suit against you for the relief of Declaration and other consequential relief/s in relation to the suit Schedule Properties. You are hereby summoned to appear before the XIV Addl. City Civil and Sessions Judge, Bengaluru (CCH-28), either in person or by a pleader on **29-05-2024**, to answer the same, failing which the suit will be heard and determined in your absence.

SCHEDULE 'A' PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of the property bearing Site Nos.25 & 26, Khata No.262/2C, Property No.33, situated at Kaggadasapura, K.R.Puram Hobli, Bengaluru East Taluk (earlier Bangalore South Taluk), now coming under the jurisdiction of the Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike, Ward No.57, Balaji Layout, measuring East to West: 40 ft., North to South: 60 ft., totally measuring 2,400 Sq. ft., and the property being bounded on the: **East by :**Site Nos.29 and 30, **West by:**Road; **North by:** Site No.27, **South by:** Site No.24.

SCHEDULE 'B' PROPERTY

ITEM NO.1: Flat No.001 in the Ground Floor, measuring about 1057 Sq. feet super build up area, containing Two bed rooms, together with RCC Roofing, Vitrified flooring, together with One car parking space, including proportionate share in common areas such as passages, lobbies, staircase, etc., in the multistoried building known as "ELITE" constructed over Schedule 'A' Property along with 238 Sq. Feet undivided right, title and interest in the Schedule 'A' Property

ITEM NO.2: Flat No.002 in the Ground Floor, measuring about 1070 Sq. feet super build up area, containing Two bed rooms, together with RCC Roofing, Vitrified flooring, together with One overed car parking space, including proportionate share in common areas such as passages, lobbies, staircase, etc., in the multistoried building known as "ELITE" constructed over Schedule 'A' Property along with 240 Sq. Feet undivided right, title and interest in the Schedule 'A' Property.

ITEM NO.3: Flat No.001 in the Ground Floor, measuring about 1057 Sq. feet super build up area, containing Two bed rooms, together with RCC Roofing, Vitrified flooring, together with One car parking space, including proportionate share in common areas such as passages, lobbies, staircase, etc., in the multistoried building known as "ELITE" constructed over Schedule 'A' Property along with 238 Sq. Feet undivided right, title and interest in the Schedule 'A' Property

ITEM NO.4: Flat No.102, in the First Floor, measuring about 1070 Sq. feet super build up area, containing Two bed rooms, together with RCC Roofing, Vitrified flooring, together with One car parking space, including roportionate share in common areas such as passages, lobbies, staircase, etc., in the multistoried building known as "ELITE" constructed over Schedule 'A' Property along with 240 Sq. (Feet undivided right, title and interest in the Schedule 'A' Property.

ITEM NO.5: Flat No.201, in the Second Floor, measuring about 1057 Sq. feet super build up area, containing Two bed rooms, together with RCC Roofing, Vitrified flooring, together with One car parking space, including roportionate share in common areas such as passages, lobbies, staircase, etc., in the multistoried building known as "ELITE" constructed over Schedule 'A' Property along with 238 Sq. Feet undivided right, title and interest in the Schedule 'A' Property.

ITEM NO.6: Flat No.202 in the Second Floor, measuring about 1070 Sq. feet super build up area, containing Two bed rooms, together with RCC Roofing, Vitrified flooring, together with One car parking space, including proportionate share in common areas such as passages, lobbies, staircase, etc., in the multistoried building known as "ELITE" constructed over Schedule 'A' Property along with 240 Sq. Feet undivided right, title and interest in the Schedule 'A' Property.

ITEM NO.7: Flat No.301, in the Third Floor, measuring about 1057 Sq. feet super build up area, containing Two bed rooms, together with RCC Roofing, Vitrified flooring, together with One car parking space, including proportionate share in common areas such as passages, lobbies, staircase, etc., in the multistoried building known as "ELITE" constructed over Schedule 'A' Property along with 238 Sq. Feet undivided right, title and interest in the Schedule 'A' Property.

ITEM NO.8: Flat No.302, in the Third Floor, measuring about 1070 Sq. feet super build up area, containing Two bed rooms, together with RCC Roofing, Vitrified flooring, together with One car parking space, including proportionate share in common areas such as passages, lobbies, staircase, etc., in the multistoried building known as "ELITE" constructed over Schedule 'A' Property along with 240 Sq. Feet undivided right, title and interest in the Schedule 'A' Property.

ITEM NO.9: Flat No.401, in the Fourth Floor, measuring about 1057 Sq. feet super build up area, containing Two bed rooms, together with RCC Roofing, Vitrified flooring, including proportionate share in common areas such as passages, lobbies, staircase, etc., in the multistoried building known as "ELITE" constructed over Schedule 'A' Property along with 238 Sq. Feet undivided right, title and interest in the Schedule 'A' Property.

ITEM NO.10: Flat No.402, in the Fourth Floor, measuring about 1070 Sq. feet super build up area, containing Two bed rooms, together with RCC Roofing, Vitrified flooring, including proportionate share in common areas such as passages, lobbies, staircase, etc., in the multistoried building known as "ELITE" constructed over Schedule 'A' Property along with 240 Sq. Feet undivided right, title and interest in the Schedule 'A' Property.

ITEM NO.11: Flat No.501, in the Fifth Floor, measuring about 200 Sq. feet super build up area, containing Two bed rooms, together with RCC Roofing, Vitrified flooring, including proportionate share in common areas such as passages, lobbies, staircase, etc., in the multistoried building known as "ELITE" constructed over Schedule 'A' Property along with 1/11th Sq. Feet undivided right, title and interest in the Schedule 'A' Property.

Given under my hand and the seal of the Court on 22-04-2024

By order of the court, Deputy Registrar, City civil court, Bangalore.

Advocate for Plaintiff:
M/s KUMAR AND KUMAR
F-113, Central Chambers, 3rd Floor, 2nd Main, Gandhinagar, Bengaluru-560 009.

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MEGA E-AUCTION

NOTICE OF SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES ON 29.05.2024

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8(6) / Rule 9 (1) of Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described immovable properties mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the **Physical/Constructive Possession** of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer (details mentioned below), will be sold on **"As is where is", "As is what is" and "Whatever there is" basis on 29.05.2024** at the below mentioned timings for recovery of dues with further interest and cost thereon due to the **Karnataka Bank Ltd.**

The details are as under: Reserve Price and Earnest Money Deposits details are as under & the Earnest Money Deposit shall be deposited on or before **28.05.2024 at 4.00 pm** through online payment to the Account No. details of which are given below or by way of DD favouring **Karnataka Bank Ltd.**

Sl. No.	Name of the Borrowers/Mortgagors/Guarantors/ Co-Obligants and Loan Account No.	Balance O/S Rs. Future Interest From + Costs	Possession Date Possession Type	Description of the Property/ies	Reserve Price (Rs.)	Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) Rs.	Auction Time	Incremental Value of the Bid	Branch Name & Account Details for Remitting EMD/ IFSC Code
1	**(1) M/s Highsky Travels Pvt Ltd, Represented by its Directors – i) Mrs. Sheetal and ii) Mr. T.D. Padmanabha, Addressed at :** No.106/4, Thamarai Kannan Road, Halasuru, Bengaluru-560008, **(2) Mrs.Sheetal,** W/o Mr. T.D. Padmanabha, **(3) Mr. T.D. Padmanabha,** S/o Mr. T.G. Devarajulu, **Both 2 & 3 are addressed at :** Flat No.302, 3rd Floor, Varshitha Green Apartments, 5th Street, Bank Avenue , Babusapalya, Kalyan Nagar, Bengaluru-560043, **(4) Mrs. Jayasudha Janardhanan,** W/o Mr. Janardhanan, **Addressed at :** Sycon Cressida, Flat No.502, 5th Floor, Horamavu Main Road, Bengaluru – 560043. **Loan A/c Nos.: (1) PSDPN A/c No.0597001400907001 (2) PSTL A/c No.0597001800038601 (3) PSTL A/c No.0597001800039101 (4) PSTL A/c No.0597001800040101**	**Total Rs. 64,75,693.27 [(1) Rs. 3,90,213.66 30.03.2024 + (2) Rs. 6,57,632.61 01.04.2024 + (3) Rs. 49,78,208.00 30.03.2024 + (4) Rs.4,49,639.00 01.04.2024]**	**06.02.2024 Physical**	All that part and parcel of Residential Flat bearing **No.302 [2 BHK],** on third floor of the apartment building known as **'Varshitha Greens',** having Super built up area of **1160 Sq.ft** along with **330 Sq.ft** of undivided interest in land, and one covered car parking space and proportionate share in common areas such as passages, lobbies, lift and staircase, constructed on converted land bearing Site No.13 (carved out of erstwhile Sy.No.126/4,) situated at Horamavu Village, K.R Puram Hobli, Bengaluru East Taluk, Bengaluru, belonging to **Mr. T.D Padmanabha and Mrs. Jayasudha Janardhanan. Boundaries of property as per Document : East :** Site No.6, **West :** Road, **North :** Site No.12, **South :** Private Property, **Boundaries of Flat as per Document : East :** Corridor / Entry, **West :** Open Space & then road, **North :** Open Space, **South :** Open Space.	**Rs. 45,00,000/-**	**Rs. 4,50,000/-**	**12.55 P.M to 1.15 P.M**	**Rs. 25,000/-**	**Karnataka Bank Ltd Branch: Bengaluru – Murphy Town A/c No: 0593500200004101 IFSC: KARB0000059**
2	**(1) M/s Varsha Travels, Represented by its Proprietor Mr. Chandrashekar Vasudev Bhat, Addressed at :** 10/2, 2nd Temple Road, 16th Cross, Malleshwaram, Bengaluru-560003, **(2) Mr. Chandrashekar Vasudev Bhat,** S/o Mr. Vasudev Bhat N, **(3) Mrs. Pankaja Chandrashekar Bhat,** W/o Mr. Chandrashekar Vasudev Bhat, **Both No.2 & 3 are addressed at :** 404, Annapurna Residency, Nagadevanahalli, Jnanabharathi Post, Bengaluru-560056. **Both No.2 & 3 also at :** No.69, Nandana, 4th Coss, Bhuvaneshwarinagar, H.A. Farm Post, Bengaluru-560024. **Loan A/c Nos.: (1) OD A/c No.0557000100016601 (2) PSTL A/c No.0557001800044201**	**Total Rs.21,48,652.06 [(1) Rs.20,72,502.00 01.04.2024 + (2) Rs.76,150.06 01.04.2024]**	**17.01.2024 Physical**	All that part and parcel of **Residential Flat No.404,** in the third floor of the Apartment known as **"Annapurna Residency",** having super built up area of **1600 Sq.ft and UDS of 415.17 Sq.ft** in the land along with one covered car parking in Stilt Floor, constructed on property bearing **BBMP Khata No.538/516/32/5, 32/7/35,36,23,24,25** situated at Nagadevanahalli Village, Kengeri Hobli, Bengaluru South Taluk, Bengaluru, belonging to **Mr. Chandrashekar Vasudev Bhat. Boundaries of property as per Document : East :** Road and Private Property, **West :** Road, North : Road, **South :** Private Property. **Boundaries of Flat : East :** Open to Sky, **West :** Door Entrance / Flat No.405, **North :** Flat No.403, **South :** Open to Sky.	**Rs. 57,00,000/-**	**Rs. 5,70,000/-**	**1.25 P.M to 1.45 P.M**	**Rs. 25,000/-**	**Karnataka Bank Ltd Branch: Bengaluru – Malleshwaram A/c No: 0553500200004101 IFSC:KARB0000055**
3	**(1) M/s Neoaxis Aero Private Limited, a Private Limited Company, Represented by its Directors, Addressed at :** Plot No.556, 3rd Main Road, 2nd Stage, Peenya Industrial Estate, Bengaluru Urban, Karnataka – 560058, **(2) Mr. Alex Raja Varman,** S/o Mr. Pugazhenthi, No.93, Opp. SITRA, Coimbatore Aerodrome, Coimbatore – 641014, **(3) Mr. Shanmugham M,** S/o Mr. Madhaiyan, B-102, Jalavayu Heights, HMT Watch Factory Road, Jalahalli, Bengaluru – 560013, **(4) Mr. Vinod N,** S/o Late. Nagaraja Naidu K, **(5) Mrs. Pramila,** W/o Mr. Nagaraja Naidu K, **No.4 & 5 are addressed at :** # 33/A, 1st Cross, Ganesha Block, Mahalaxmi Layout, Bengaluru – 560096. **Loan A/c Nos. : (1) PSOD A/c No.0647000600243101 (2) PSDPN A/c No.0647001400269901 (3) PSTL A/c No.0647001800210801 (4) PSTL A/c No.0647001800213701 (5) PSTL A/c No.0647001800214501**	**Total Rs.3,25,35,869.27 [(1) Rs.14,86,777.90 01.04.2024 + (2) Rs.18,58,015.54 01.04.2024 + (3) Rs.2,00,64,936.31 30.03.2024 (4) Rs.16,32,293.43 09.04.2024 (5) Rs.74,93,846.09 01.04.2024**	**07.06.2022 Constructive**	All that part and parcel of **Western Portion (Block A) and North Western Portion (Block B) of the Industrial Land bearing Plot No.556, Khata No.179, formed in Sy.No.46 of Nelagadharanahalli Village, measuring 8850.40 Sq.ft and 1414.33 Sq.ft respectively and totally measuring 10,264.73 Sq.ft** with Industrial Building constructed thereon, situated at 3rd Main, 4th Phase, Peenya Industrial Area, Nelagadharanahalli Village, Yeshwanthpura Hobli, Bengaluru North Taluk, Bengaluru, belonging to **Mr. Nagaraja Naidu K** (since deceased, Represented by his legal heirs) Boundaries as per Document / Plot No.556 / Block A (Western Portion) / Block B (North-Western Portion): East: Plot No.555 / Schedule III Property / Schedule III Property West: KSSIDC Road / KSSIDC Road / KSSIDC Sheds North: KSSIDC Sheds / KSSIDC Sheds / KSSIDC Sheds South: KSSIDC Road / KSSIDC Road / Block A Schedule II	**Rs. 4,76,72,000/-**	**Rs. 47,67,200/-**	**3.15 P.M to 3.35 P.M**	**Rs. 1,00,000/-**	**Karnataka Bank Ltd Branch: Bengaluru-Rajajinagar A/c No: 0643500200004101 IFSC:KARB0000064**
4	**(1) Mr. Puttaraju,** S/o Mr. Basavalingaiah, **(2) Mrs. Bharathi L,** W/o Mr. Puttaraju, **Both are addressed at :** No.58/2, 7th Main, Bharathi Nagar, BSK 3rd Stage, Bengaluru-560085, **Both also at :** Property No.21, Sy.No.57/1, 758, Katriguppe, Bharathinagar, Uttarahalli, BSK 3rd Stage, Bengaluru South-560085. **Loan A/c No: TL A/c No.9127001600011201**	**Rs. 14,61,498.87 11.04.2024**	**22.09.2023 Constructive**	All that part and parcel of Eastern portion of the **property No.21, Sy.No.57/1 and 58 measuring 675.00 Sq.ft** [East to West-15.00 feet and North to South-45.00 feet] with Residential Building constructed thereon, situated at 5th B Cross Road, Syndicate Bank Colony Layout, Kathriguppe Village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bengaluru South Taluk, Bengaluru, belonging to **Mr. Puttaraju and Mrs. Bharathi L. Boundaries of property as per Document : East :** Property No.22, **West :** Remaining Portion of Site No.21, **North :** Road, **South :** Site No.27.	**Rs. 65,00,000/-**	**Rs. 6,50,000/-**	**11.30 A.M to 11.50 A.M**	**Rs. 50,000/-**	**Karnataka Bank Ltd Branch: Bengaluru – Raghuvanahalli A/c No: 9123500200004101 IFSC: KARB0000912**
5	**(1) Mr. Shrikant N Toravi,** S/o Mr. Ningonda Toravi, **(2) Mrs. Swapna,** W/o Mr. Shrikant N Toravi, **Both are addressed at :** # TF-7, Third Floor, Balaji Residency, Near Sadhana Public School, Banashankari 6th Stage, Kanakapura Road, Hosahalli Village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bengaluru-560062. **Loan A/c No.: PSTL A/c No.9017001800013401**	**Rs. 32,35,260.00 18.02.2020**	**24.09.2021 Physical**	All that part and parcel of **Residential Apartment bearing No.TF-7 (2 BHK),** on the third floor of the apartment building known as **"Balaji Residency",** having super built up area 1100 Sq.ft, along with 285 Sq.ft of undivided share, right, title and interest in the land and one cover car parking space in the basement, constructed on land bearing Site No's 22, 23, 24, having single Joint Khata No.365, formed out of residentially converted land bearing Survey No.10/3, situated at Hosahalli Village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bengaluru South Taluk, belonging to **Mr. Shrikant N Toravi. Boundaries of Property as per Deed : East by:** Site No.25, **West by:** Ramappa and Gopalappa's Property, **North by:** Ramaiah's Property, **South by:** Road.	**Rs. 18,00,000/-**	**Rs. 1,80,000/-**	**2.20 P.M to 2.40 P.M**	**Rs. 10,000/-**	**Karnataka Bank Ltd Branch: Bengaluru-Uttarahalli A/c No: 9013500200004101 IFSC: KARB0000901**

(The borrower's/mortgagor's attention is invited to the provisions of Sub-section (8) of Section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available to redeem the secured asset).

(This Notice shall also serve as Notice under Sub Rule (6) of Rule 8/Sub Rule (1) of Rule 9 of Security Interest Enforcement Rules-2002 to the Borrower/Guarantors).

For detailed terms and conditions of sale, please refer to link in Karnataka Bank's Website i.e. https://karnatakabank.com

The E-auction will be conducted through portal www.auctionbazaar.com on **29.05.2024** at above mentioned time with unlimited extension of 05 minutes. The intending bidder is required to register their name at **www.auctionbazaar.com** and get the user Id and password free of cost and get training i.e. online training on E-auction (tentatively on **28.05.2024**) from **M/s Auction Bazaar, 7-1-28/1/A/1 Park Avenue 1, Ameerpet, Begumpet, Hyderabad, Secunderbad, Telangana, India, 500016, Contact Mobile No. 8885035382/7799510999/8885035332, E-mail : disposal.karnataka@auctionbazaar.com.**

Date : 23.04.2024
Place: Bengaluru

Sd/- Chief Manager & Authorised Officer, Karnataka Bank Ltd.

BEFORE THE 1st ADDL. SENIOR CIVIL JUDGE, BENGALURU RURAL DISTRICT, ATBENGALURU

G & W.C. No. 17 / 2023

Between: Smt. Soumya Yadala, D/o Sri. Markendeyulu, Aged about 37 yrs, R/at: Midtown Rhythm Apartment, No. C 005, Ramagondanahally, Whitefiled, Bangalore. PIN: 560066. **...Petitioner**

And: Sri. Bharat Kumar Jajjara, S/o Sri. Kotaiah, Aged about 38 yrs, R/at Flat No.201 Rathnadhama Apartments, Doddnnekundi, Marthahalli, Bangalore - 500037. **...Respondent**

SUMMONS TO RESPONDENT

To, **Sri. Bharat Kumar Jajjara,** S/o Sri. Kotaiah, Aged about 38 yrs, R/at Flat No.201 Rathnadhama Apartments, Doddanekundi, Marthahalli, Bangalore - 500037.

WHEREAS, the above mentioned petitioner has instituted a case against you, for declaration of the petitioner as the legal guardian and for permanent custody of the child Satvi Samanvika Jajjara, aged 11 years. The case is posted **on 15.06.2024** for your appearance.

Hence you are hereby directed to appear before this Hon'ble Court on the said date at 11 AM, either in person or through counsel duly instructed, failing which the above case will be heard and determined in your absence placing you Ex-Parte.

Giving under my hand and seal of this Court on 22nd day of April 2024.

By order of the Court, Chief Ministerial Officer, Senior Civil Judge Court, Bengaluru Rural Dist., Bengaluru.

Advocate for Petitioner :
Adv. Rashmi George
No. 207, Commerce House,
Cunningham Road, Bangalore - 560 052.
Ph: 7676947586

IN THE COURT OF THE 3rd ADDITIONAL SENIOR CIVIL JUDGE BENGALURU RURAL DISTRICT AT BENGALURU

O.S. No. 1252/2023

BETWEEN :

Smt. Vyshnavi K.S ...Plaintiff

AND : **Rohit Chopra & Others ...Defendants**

To, **Defendant No. 1 :**

Sri Rohit Chopra, S/o Omprakash Chopra, R/at No.846, 26th Main, 10th Cross, Sector 1, HSR Layout, Bangalore-560 012.

SUIT SUMMONS TO THE DEFENDANT NO.1 UNDER ORDER V RULE 20 (1-a) of THE CIVIL PROCEDURE CODE

Whereas the plaintiff submits that the present suit arise from the O.S. No. 1252/2023, a declaration suit, which the Plaintiff has preferred before this Hon'ble Court seeking the relief of a judgment and decree to declare that the plaintiff has perfected her title over the suit schedule property by virtue of registered sale deed dated 04/12/2017 executed by the Defendant No.3 in favour of Plaintiff and also to decree that the memorandum of deposit of title deed dated 30/04/2016 executed by 1st defendant in favour of 2nd defendant in respect of the schedule C property is not binding on the Plaintiff and to direct the defendant No.2 to hand over the physical possession of the suit schedule C Property to the Plaintiff and to grant other reliefs.

The above case is posted for hearing **on 27/05/2024 at 11.00 a.m.** for your appearance. If you fail to appear either in person or through your counsel duly instructed on the above mentioned day, then the above suit would be heard and decided in your absence, Ex-parte against you.

SCHEDULE 'A' PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of converted immovable property being a portion of Sy.No. 56/2 vide conversion order No. ALN (NAY) SR 40/13-14 Dated 25/10/2013 issued by the Deputy Commissioner Bangalore. Presently within BBMP jurisdiction, presently bearing BBMP Katha No. 1661/56/2 dated 19/11/2013 situated at Kogilu Village, Yalahanka Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, measuring 27 guntas or 29,403 Sq ft and bounded by:

East By : Private Property, West By : Private Property, South By : Private Property, North By : Kogilu Road.

SCHEDULE 'B' PROPERTY

An undivided interest/share of 441 Square feet out of 29403 Square fee in the land of the Schedule A property.

SCHEDULE 'C' PROPERTY

A residential flat bearing No. 109 on the first floor of building known as BSR KOORLA RESIDENTIAL constructed on schedule 'A' property in term of the sanctioned plan vide LP No.Ad, com/YLK/939/13-14 having super built area of 1068 sq ft. together with exclusive right to use one year car parking in basement floor. Building constructed with RCC roofing hall cum dining room, 2 bedrooms, Kitchen, bathrooms, and toilets, balconies ets., provided with verified tiles, all door frames of quality hard wood with commercial flush doors with electricity and water facilities with common rights privileges and amentias in common areas such as passage, lobbies, staircase and other areas of common use and building constructed with RCC roofing and all other privileges that other flat owners having the common right, enjoyment and privileges.

Given under my hand seal of the court this 23rd day of April 2024 at Bangalore.

By order of this Court, Chief Ministerial Officer, Senior Civil Judge Court, Bengaluru Rural District, Bengaluru.

Advocate Address
B. Prasanna Kumar, Advocate
No.317/18, 1st G Cross, Behind Attiguppe Metro Station, Vijayanagar 2nd Stage, Bangalore - 560 040.

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AUTOMATIC CASH REFUND IF FLIGHT DELAYED BY 3 HOURS OR MORE IN U.S.

The White House issued new rules on Wednesday requiring airlines to provide automatic refunds in case of flight cancellations or significant delays. President Joe Biden's administration defined 'a significant delay' as one lasting at least three hours for domestic and six hours for international flights.

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MORE BURN

Five-day heat alert in parts of state from today

BOSKY KHANNA @Bengaluru

THE India Meteorological Department (IMD) has issued a heat wave alert for most parts of Karnataka for five days from Thursday and has advised people to avoid venturing out between 11am and 4pm.

It has issued hot and humid weather along with heat wave conditions during the period for most parts of India, including Konkan and Goa, Andhra Pradesh, Karnataka, Telangana, Puducherry, Tamil Nadu and Kerala.

The department has also issued an orange alert for Karnataka -- high mercury levels and increased likelihood of heat-related illness among those who get exposed to the scorching sun for long. Health concern alerts for vulnerable people have also been issued.

Director-in-charge of IMD Bengaluru N Puviarasan said the heat wave alert will be issued when the maximum temperature crosses 40 degrees Celsius or when the temperature of a particular district is 4.5 degrees Celsius above normal.

The heat wave alert and warning have been issued for Vijayapura, Yadgir, Koppal, Raichur, Bagalkot, Kalaburagi, Ballari, Chitradurga, Kolar, Mysuru, Mandya, Tumakuru, Belagavi, Gadag and Davanagere districts, he said. P7

Attacks party over Pitroda's remarks on inheritance tax

Cong's loot won't stop even after you die: Modi

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CONGRESS leader Sam Pitroda's faux pas on inheritance tax in the US gave Prime Minister Narendra Modi fresh ammunition on Wednesday to attack the party over its proposed wealth redistribution.

Till you are alive, the Congress will impose more tax and after your life ends, it will impose the burden of inheritance tax on you

Narendra Modi

Indian Overseas Congress chairman Pitroda, in an interview, said that in the US, 55% of a person's wealth is "grabbed" by the government when he or she dies and only 45% goes to children. He called it "an interesting law".

Addressing a campaign rally in Chhattisgarh, Modi cited Pitroda's comment and said the Congress will loot people during their lifetime and even after death. "*Congress ka mantra hei Congress ki loot 'zindagi ke saath bhi, zindagi ke baad bhi*," Modi said borrowing the Life Insurance Corporation's famous tagline.

To control the damage, the Congress distanced itself from Pitroda's comments. Party leader Jairam Ramesh said Pitroda's comment on inheritance tax does not reflect the party's views on the subject. "I would like to categorically state that Congress has no plan on the inheritance tax," Ramesh said.

In Madhya Pradesh's Sagar and Betul, both reserved constituencies for tribals, Modi recalled a three-decade-old Congress decision in Karnataka to add all Muslim castes to the backward caste basket.

"Congress has always been working at snatching the rights of SCs, STs and OBCs to bolster its vote bank," he charged.

In his sharp riposte, Karnataka Chief Minister Siddaramaiah described it as an irresponsible statement. Siddaramaiah said based on the Chinnappa Reddy Commission report and taking consideration of the social and economic status, Muslims were brought under '2B' of the OBC category in the state. "But this has been there for the past three decades. During this period, the BJP in the state or Centre never questioned it," he pointed out. P11

'MY OWN VIEWS' Congress leader Sam Pitroda said his views on inheritance has nothing to do with the Congress party. "I mentioned US inheritance tax in the US only as an example in my normal conversation on TV. Can I not mention facts?" he asked

Public campaign ends, stage set for polling in 14 constituencies

RAMU PATIL @ Bengaluru

THE high-voltage public campaigning in 14 Lok Sabha constituencies in the state, including those in Bengaluru, ended on Wednesday evening.

Polling in these constituencies will be held on Friday. Candidates and their supporters have resorted to a door-to-door campaign in their constituencies. Before the mikes fell silent, campaigning in south and coastal regions reached a crescendo with top leaders from all three political parties going the whole hog to woo voters.

Karnataka is a key state for BJP which has set an ambitious target of winning over 370 seats across the country. Doing an encore of the 2019 Lok Sabha performance of winning 25 seats is a Herculean task. This time, the party is contesting 25 seats while giving three to its alliance partner JDS. This election is crucial for the future of JDS. Its top leader HD Kumaraswamy is contesting from the Vokkaliga heartland of Mandya, while party supremo HD Deve Gowda's grandson Prajwal Revanna is seeking reelection from Hassan.

PM Modi and Home Minister Amit Shah campaigned extensively for BJP-JDS candidates in the state. For the first time, Modi and Gowda jointly addressed election rallies.

The BJP-JDS candidates are banking heavily on the Modi factor, the Centre's achievements, and a promise of providing a stable government.

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2,88,08,182 CITIZENS WILL CAST THEIR VOTE IN PHASE-2 ELECTIONS IN KARNATAKA

Over 2.88 crore eligible voters will cast their franchise on April 26 in the Phase-2 of polling in south and coastal Karnataka's 14 parliamentary constituencies, including those in the state capital. Chief Electoral Officer, Karnataka, Manoj Kumar Meena, said there are 2,88,19,342 voters in Phase-2, of which 1,44,28,099 voters are male, 1,43,88,176 female and 3,067 third gender. Meena also launched the Chunavane app on Wednesday. It is available on Playstore and citizens can download it to find their polling booths. It tells voters the live status of the queue at their booth and show them parking spaces, Meena said. P6

EXPRESS READ

Kotak Bank can't onboard customers online: RBI

Mumbai: Cracking down on repeated non-compliance of IT norms, the RBI on Wednesday barred Kotak Mahindra Bank from onboarding new customers through its online and mobile banking channels and issuing fresh credit cards with immediate effect after the regulator found "serious deficiencies" in the lender's IT risk management. P15

'Jail officials cancelled Atishi's meet with Kejri'

New Delhi: Alleging the Tihar Jail administration cancelled Delhi Minister Atishi's meeting with Delhi Chief Minister Arvind Kejriwal at the last moment, Aam Aadmi Party Rajya Sabha MP Sanjay Singh on Wednesday said, "Even the British rule did not see this kind of behaviour".

18 Naxalites surrender in Chhattisgarh

Dantewada: As many as 18 Naxalites, including a militia platoon section commander and three women, surrendered on Wednesday in Chhattisgarh's Dantewada, a senior police officer said. Hidma Oyam (34) was working as the Hurrepal Panchayat Militia Platoon (HPMP) section commander, said Dantewada Superintendent of Police Gaurav Rai.

Left, BJP hope to prick Rahul's 'balloon'

CITHARA PAUL @ Kochi

WAYANAD offers an interesting paradox. It is probably the only constituency in India where one cannot see Congress flags flutter at any party convention even though its candidate is none other than Rahul Gandhi.

SHOWTIME FOR GLADIATORS

It is also one constituency in Kerala where nobody is unsure of who the winner would be. And in this paradox lies the story of this picturesque constituency, considered the "safest Congress seat" in the country.

Clearly, bitter lessons the party learnt in 2019, when Rahul contested from Wayanad for the first time, prompted the Congress to avoid its own, as well as ally IUML's, flags this time.

That Rahul took refuge in Wayanad, where the Muslim League calls the shots, was something the BJP had gone to town with in 2019. Visuals of Rahul campaigning amid a sea of League flags went viral. And that had seriously impacted the Congress' fortunes in north India.

The Congress, hence, has been extremely careful this time. Instead of flags, it has been using balloons – in shades of saffron, green and white.

It is the demography of Wayanad constituency – Muslims form 35% of population and Christians 13% – that makes it a safe bet for the Congress. Rahul had won with a margin of 4,31,770 votes in 2019, a record in Kerala. Despite the desperate efforts of the Congress to underplay the 'Muslim connection', the BJP has not allowed it to go unnoticed. Every top BJP leader who came to Wayanad made it a point to take a dig at Rahul for contesting from a place "where the majority is in minority".

ILLUSTRATION: MANDAR PARDIKAR

Though there is no hype around Rahul's candidature this time compared with 2019, ironically, it is this same factor, which the BJP has been harping on, that will help him this time as well.

If there was someone who had ardently hoped that Rahul would not be contesting from Wayanad this time, it would be Annie Raja. A feisty face of the CPI – and also a close friend of Rahul – Annie was the first to hit the campaign trail.

Her name was announced at a time when there was speculation that Rahul would not be contesting from Wayanad, as there was stiff opposition from the CPM and the CPI against him running against an INDIA bloc ally.

However, the state Congress unit relentlessly pleaded with Rahul to contest again from the same constituency. Moreover, the lack of such a sure-shot 'safe seat' elsewhere in the country also may have prompted Rahul to choose Wayanad yet again.

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Indian Railways became world class with 100+ cities connected through Vande Bharat trains
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Next 5 years
Will make Bharat a global hub of manufacturing
Will make Bharat the third largest economy in the world
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Nakshatra: Vishaka 1.01 am • Moon in Vrischika Rashi • Rahukaala: 01:30 pm to 03:00pm
Gulikakala: 09:00 am to 10:30 am • Yamaganda: 03:00 am to 04:30 am

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MIN 22°C | MAX 37°C
FORECAST
Afternoon clouds.

Sunrise 06.01 am
Sunset 06.33 pm
Moonrise 06.42 pm
Moonset 07.48 am

Can't use different regn numbers on ride-hailing autos, says govt

Action against such drivers after elections, says top official

AKNISREE KARTHIK @Bengaluru

IT is a common sight to see autorickshaw drivers putting up additional registration number plates printed on paper, laminated and displayed on their autos, referring to the numbers for multiple ride-booking apps like Ola and Uber.

"I recently booked an auto to head home. An auto arrived at the location and was waiting for me. When we booked a ride, the vehicle registration number was shown to us. But the vehicle that arrived had a different registration number," said Megha, a college student. "However, I could see the registration number shown on the app displayed at the front and back of the auto. I got into the auto, shared the OTP and reached my destination," she added.

Transport Department officials said this might be happening in case the auto drivers are using a different auto with their ride-hailing account. This shouldn't be taken lightly as the ride-hailing apps request the passengers to check if the registration number on the vehicle and the one booked are matching. In case of a mismatch, passengers shouldn't be boarding the vehicle as this might risk their safety.

When TNIE took up the matter with Additional Commissioner of Transport (Enforcement) Mallikarjuna, he said, "It is illegal to operate autos using multiple vehicle registration numbers. A vehicle must have only one registration number and it should be affixed in the front and back of the vehicle as per law. Only the vehicle registered with the ride-hailing app should be used and auto drivers should not have multiple vehicle registration numbers."

He said that both the transport department and traffic police are empowered to take action against such autos. After the Lok Sabha elections, the department will start a drive against such autos using multiple registration numbers, he added.

An autorickshaw plying in the city displaying multiple registration numbers | EXPRESS

According to the data from the Bangalore Traffic Department, cases booked against autos in 2024 were in the following:

5,557 cases against autos in 2024
1,389 were for refusing to go on ride
1,283 cases for demanding excess fare
1,403 cases for operating autos without uniform
563 cases for carrying excess passengers
EXPRESS ILLUSTRATION

Getting autos a pain in city, union bats for strict enforcement

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WITH the government fixing metre fares in autorickshaws and auto drivers not being able to refuse rides or go against the metre reading, they have begun shelling out extra money from passengers every time they commute. The fleecing has forced travellers to complain against auto drivers who charge exorbitant amounts even during non-peak hours and when there is no traffic jam. They urged the police to conduct drives to fine erring autos.

Banumathi, a septuagenarian, who resides in Kumaraswamy Layout said, "I regularly visit my relatives, attend family functions, go for shopping, and visit the hospital for health checkups. Because I am not accustomed to using auto-booking apps, I usually head out of my flat and depend on autos that ply on the road. In majority of the rides, auto drivers do not go by the metre. They randomly demand money, which is nearly double the metre."

Banumathi is not the only one facing the situation but throughout the city, people of all age groups who depend on autos for commutation.

General Secretary of Autorickshaw Drivers Union (ARDU) Rudra Murthy, who accepted that many auto drivers are refusing to go on rides or follow the metre said, "After the Bangalore Metropolitan Transport Corporation (BMTC), autos are the largest public transport provider. Despite the city having more than 1.5 lakh autos, people are not able to rely on them."

He, however, said the situation can change if the state government opts to revise auto fares annually. "Annual revision of auto fares is a common occurrence in the world's major cities. Drivers refuse rides and demand excess money as the fares do not align with the price increase. In the last decade, auto fares have been revised only twice."

He said, "We want the government to hike the fare from the existing Rs 30 for the first 2 km to Rs 40 and the current Rs 15 for every subsequent kilometre to Rs 20. We urge the government to hike fares annually according to the Wholesale Price Index (WPI)."

While the price hike alone will not help improve the situation, educating and sensitising auto drivers to follow rules and a strict enforcement of laws by the police against erring ones will help, he remarked.

Replying to complaints by customers that the ride-hailing app Namma Yatri, with whom ARDU is associated, is allowing bookings only after a tip is given to the driver, Murthy denied it. He said, "It is up to the passenger to pay a tip or not. Irrespective of the tip, their bookings will be accepted." Joint Commissioner of Traffic Anucheth was not available for comments.

Women car owners want more women traffic cops

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ABOUT 83% of women car owners advocate for an increased presence of women traffic police personnel on roads, reveals a survey conducted by Park+, an app for car owners. Additionally, 81% of car owners, irrespective of gender, demand a friendlier traffic police force. Furthermore, a staggering 98% of car owners demand better road infrastructure from political contenders in 2024.

Park+ conducted a comprehensive survey aimed at gauging the expectations of car owners from political parties contesting the 2024 Lok Sabha elections. The survey included over 50,000 car owners from Bengaluru, Chennai, Delhi NCR, Mumbai, and Ahmedabad.

With more than 4.5 crore cars currently on roads, the demands of car owners for improved roads, amicable traffic police personnel, and enhanced traffic management stand as crucial election expectations.

The survey highlights several key findings regarding the expectations of car owners from authorities. It underscores that a significant majority, 98%, prioritise the enhancement of road infrastructure, indicating its paramount importance. Additionally, 81% of respondents advocate for a more approachable traffic police force, while 61% emphasise improving traffic management to address issues like road rage and dangerous driving. Moreover, a considerable 72% of car owners identify waterlogging as a major concern during the monsoon season, signaling the urgency for solutions to tackle this issue.

Bengaluru car owners outlined their top three demands, including stricter regulations to curb road rage incidents, illegal parking on roads, and improved traffic management, particularly during office hours, to alleviate congestion, and ensure smoother commuting experiences.

Amit Lakhotia, CEO and Founder of Park+ said, "The survey represents a proactive effort to comprehend the concerns and shortcomings experienced by car owners and strives to foster collaboration among all stakeholders to address these issues. It highlights the expectations of car owners from political parties vying for the 2024 Lok Sabha elections."

FINAL RANDOMISATION OF POLL OFFICERS GETS DONE

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THE final randomisation of polling officials for the Lok Sabha elections was conducted by District Election Officer and BBMP Chief Commissioner Tushar Girinath on Wednesday in the presence of general observers. With Bengaluru's three Lok Sabha constituencies going for voting on April 26, vulnerable and critical polling stations were randomised.

Three Lok Sabha constituencies - Bangalore Central, North and South -- comes under the jurisdiction of the DEO - Bengaluru Urban. In all, 24 assembly constituencies come under the three LS constituencies while Yelahanka assembly constituency falls under the Chikkaballapur LS seat and RR Nagar, Anekal and Bengaluru South assembly segments coming under Bangalore Rural LS constituency.

As many as 43,123 polling officers/staff have been deployed. Besides, 385 micro observers were assigned for 305 vulnerable and critical polling stations and they were also randomised, said Girinath, adding that polling officers, who have been assigned election duty, have been given training on the election process in their respective assembly constituencies.

On Thursday, all staff will go to the mustering centres at 9.30 am, collect materials and proceed to the polling booths, said Girinath.

Metro to run beyond midnight on polling day

Bengaluru Metro will extend its services post midnight from the Nadaprabhu Kempegowda Interchange Metro station (Majestic) on the polling day on April 26. An official release said the last train will run at 12.35 am on April 27 from this station in all four directions. At the four terminal stations of Nagasandra, Challaghatta, Silk Institute and Whitefield (Kadugodi), the last train will depart at 11.55 pm on Friday (April 26). ENS

Rapido offers free rides for senior citizens

Ride-hailing app Rapido will provide free service on all its rides for the differently abled and senior citizens in Bengaluru, Mysuru and Mangaluru to ensure hassle-free commute to polling booths to exercise their franchise on Friday. Announcing this, Rapido said that they have collaborated with the Election Commission of India and Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike in this regard. Those who wish to avail the free rides can use the code 'VOTENOW'. ENS

No inducements, vote with own discretion: Girinath

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DISTRICT Returning Officer and Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike (BBMP) Chief Commissioner Tushar Girinath called upon all voters, including students, to create awareness on voting without any inducement.

At a voting awareness programme at Krupanidhi Group of Institutions near Gunjur, Mahadevapura, he said, "If you want to vote, but don't know how to go ahead then the first task to do is to download the voter helpline software. If you enter your voter ID card number into the software, you will get all the information. If your name is on the electoral roll, it would be wrong for you not to vote. Now, if you vote under any inducements, it will be a crime. You should vote with your discretion," said Girinath.

He added that the election and police officers will actively monitor all areas to ensure that no untoward incidents take place during the polling.

Peafowls strut in corridors of power

Bengaluru: Two peafowls strutting along the corridors and railings of Vidhana Soudha took government employees and election staffers by surprise on Wednesday morning. Many took out their mobile phones and started photographing the birds. Deputy Conservator of Forests (Bengaluru Urban) Ravindra Kumar said they are trying to find out from where the peafowls landed at the Soudha. "Even though some areas like Yeswanthpur have peafowls, these are quite far. We are also checking if some people are illegally breeding them," he said. ENS

ANOTHER SHOT

II PU Exam-2 to start from April 29

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THE Second PUC Exam-2 is scheduled to take place from April 29 to May 16, with a total of 1.49 lakh students registered for the examination.

In the Arts stream, a total of 52,492 students have registered including 19,987 girls. In the Commerce stream, there are a total of 39,427 students with about 14,525 girls candidates. The Science stream will have 57,381 students, almost evenly split between boys and girls.

For exam-2, of the total 301 exam centres, there are 17 exam centres with over 11,800 students expected to appear in Bengaluru North. About 22 centres are in Bengaluru South where over 14,400 students are anticipated while there are four in Bengaluru Rural, with 1,774 students.

Of the 1.49 lakh students, over 32,800 students are seeking improvement, while more than 27,000 are repeat students. Additionally, over 89,000 students who had not cleared the previous attempts have registered for the examination. Moreover, there are 139 privately registered students who completed 17 years ago lack the required 75% attendance.

Admission tickets for the exam can be obtained from the website https://kseab.karnataka.gov.in with an eleven-digit registration number. Those without registration numbers should contact their college principal to obtain the admission ticket.

Three-exam system

This year, the Karnataka School Examination and Assessment Board has introduced a three-exam system. Under this, students can appear for three exams, and the Board will assess them based on their best scores.

Daily Starscope

PETER VIDAL

25TH April : The current planetary picture is pretty powerful. But, which way will events go? Will they be welcome or not? That's what we find difficult to say. My opinion is that we all have the ability to make moral choices and the more of us who behave with courtesy, honesty and care for others, the better the whole world will be.

ARIES (Mar 21 - Apr. 20)
An emotional Moon is a very relaxing presence for you, but you should guard against complacency. The only concern is that you may be tempted to overlook fundamental details, especially at work. There should still be plenty of time to achieve one of your short-term goals, by the way, so don't panic.

TAURUS (Apr. 21 - May 21)
Financial pressures will soon rise once again, but this time it's joint connections which need sorting out. If you're dealing with someone else's money, or they're handling yours, take all the necessary precautions. At home, you now have another chance to improve relationships with children and younger relatives.

GEMINI (May 22 - June 21)
Home and family affairs are central to your thinking, and no future plan will succeed unless you are careful to consult relations, and everyone else you live with, as widely as possible. After all, if they say 'yes' now, they won't be able to complain later.

CANCER (June 22 - July 23)
You can still act behind the scenes if you wish, but the mood of the times is gradually changing. Right now the best thing you can do is talk to as many people as possible about what your next step should be, and when you should take it. Pick your time with care.

LEO (July 24 - Aug. 23)
Your confidence is liable to slip without warning, but never imagine that all is lost, or that you are doomed to failure. It is all a matter of being as patient as possible, and allowing certain long-term problems to iron themselves out. Can you turn the clock back? Perhaps - but only briefly.

VIRGO (Aug. 24 - Sept. 23)
You may now show yourself in your true colours, and that might involve risking a disagreement with someone who is close to you. Both financially and at work you may assume more authority by showing that you know what you're talking about. And about time, too!

LIBRA (Sept. 24 - Oct. 23)
The mood should be growing lighter by the day, although secret fears still trouble you. One positive way to use your current planetary patterns is to delve into all those timeless mystical and spiritual mysteries. If you get a sense of life's underlying purpose then you'll be able to rearrange your priorities so that they suit you better.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24 - Nov. 22)
Now you have most of the information at your fingertips, you can afford to take the lead socially. For some time you have been irritated by others' tendency to push themselves forward, but now you can take the limelight. Please do so with your usual diplomacy!

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23 - Dec. 22)
You can afford to put your foot down at home, even if other people don't like it. The Moon's role in your chart reveals that you have the advantage, and it will be a rare person who can call your bluff. What should you do? Be flexible and be prepared for last-minute changes.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 23 - Jan. 20)
Your private and professional lives are linked in a way which defies analysis: before you can explore new career opportunities, you need to work out where you stand in relation to an emotional tie. And when business and pleasure mix, you'll have to work out where your loyalties lie.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21 - Feb. 19)
You should be very sure indeed to check all legal plans extremely carefully. There is nothing to be gained from allowing standards to slip, and everything to be achieved by keeping them as high as possible, especially in matters of the heart.

PISCES (Feb. 20 - Mar 20)
You still appear to be in a personal quandary, but at least the financial news should be reassuring. Partners will be able to offer you much sensible and sound advice, so please listen very carefully, and leave no stone unturned in your unending quest for the truth.

Solutions to Yesterday's puzzle

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SUDOKU EVIL

TEST YOUR NUMBER CRUNCHING SKILL WITH OUR UNIQUE PUZZLE

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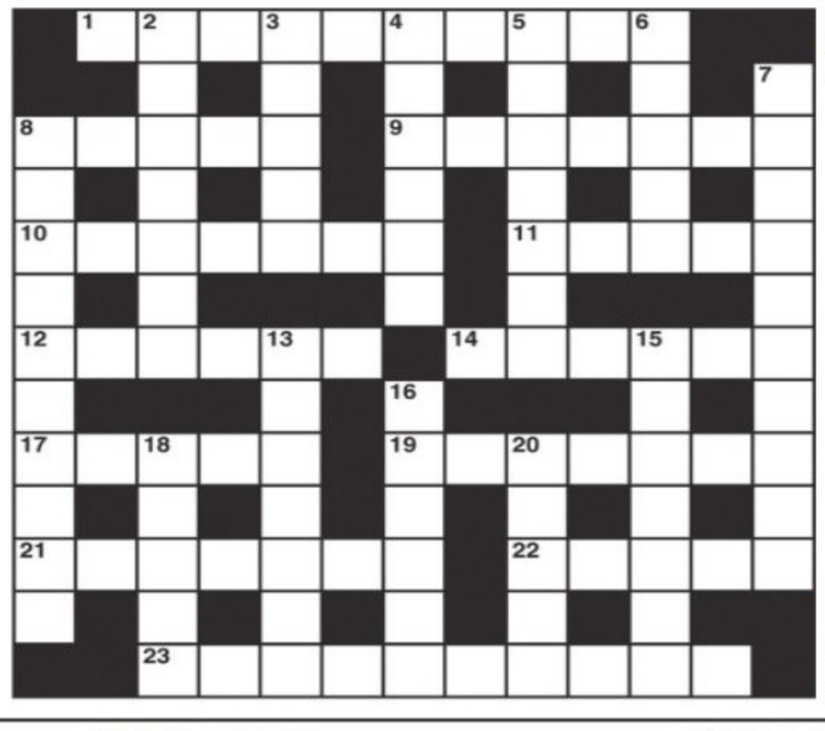

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ACROSS
1 Allowance obtained through an embassy (10)
8 It's held by solicitors to be permissible (5)
9 Tongue no longer red (7)
10 Small companies have places for pets (7)
11 Ellis spins a yarn (5)
12 All the points appear in a right solution (6)
14 Ready to throw a line to one in trouble (6)
17 A widespread current issue (5)
19 Show zeal then change employment (7)
21 Learned of a rite due for revision (7)
22 He shows the way one gets into bed (5)
23 An impressive thing to wear (6,4)

DOWN
2 Cuts out exercises without hesitation (7)
3 Award for a priest of unusual merit? (5)
4 American revolution remains supremely secure (6)
5 Run sail out when away from the mainland (7)
6 Proverbially hard on one's toes? (5)
7 A blockade that should pay dividends (10)
8 Their union offers security (4,3,3)
13 Losing the rubber prevents you from doing this (7)
15 Muddled girl takes nothing up (7)
16 Cut over a quarter? That's serious (6)
18 Coarse types confuse love with lust (5)
20 Light or sound recorder (5)

YESTERDAY'S SOLUTIONS

Across: 1 Unwept, 4 Circle, 9 Terrain, 10 Apart, 11 Dress, 12 Elector, 13 First choice, 18 Treason, 20 Facia, 22 Llama, 23 Acclaim, 24 Attest, 25 Ascent.

Down: 1 Untidy, 2 Worse, 3 Praises, 5 Irate, 6 Chaotic, 7 Entire, 8 Under canvas, 14 Inexact, 15 Offices, 16 Stella, 17 Marmot, 19 Seals, 21 Crane.

JUMBLE

UNSCRAMBLE THESE JUMBLES, ONE LETTER TO EACH SQUARE, TO FORM FOUR ORDINARY WORDS.

BY DAVID L. HOYT AND JEFF KNUREK

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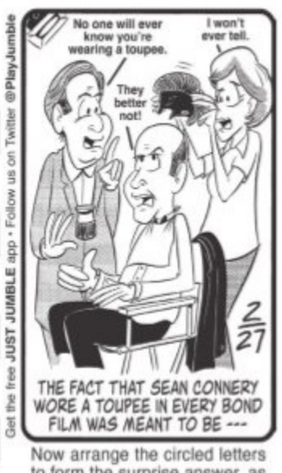
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THE FACT THAT SEAN CONNERY WORE A TOUPEE IN EVERY BOND FILM WAS MEANT TO BE ---

Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

Answer here:

(Answers tomorrow)

Yesterday's Jumbles: TEMPO FLUID OBJECT JERSEY
Answer: After successfully using cables to connect the batteries to start the car, they — JUMPED FOR JOY

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A 40-year-old hotel employee jumped to his death from the Anand Rao Circle flyover around 3 am on Wednesday. The victim, identified as Thimmaraju, was a native of Hassan. He was working in a hotel in the city. The reasons for his suicide are being ascertained

Vantamuri case: HC wants trial completed in 1 yr

Official to visit victim's house every 2 months

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @Bengaluru

THE High Court of Karnataka has directed the trial court to complete the trial against the accused, who had stripped and assaulted a woman after her son eloped with a girl from another community at Vantamuri village in Belagavi district, within a year.

The court also directed an officer from the Women and Child Welfare Department to visit the house of the victim once in two months and ensure that she and her family members faced no problems.

It asked the officer to submit a report to the jurisdictional superintendent of police each time he visited the victim.

These directions were issued by a division bench of Chief Justice NV Anjaria and Justice Krishna S Dixit while disposing of a suo motu public interest litigation filed after the incident came to light through media reports on December 12, 2023.

The court was satisfied with the measures taken by the state government to pay a compensation of Rs 5 lakh and allot two acres of land to the victim and to ensure that she and her family members are safe.

Meanwhile, the government informed the court that the victim and her husband live in Vantamuri village and their son and daughter-in-law in another village.

The government stated that the victim and her family members have been provided with police security. Twenty-five armed personnel are providing security to the victim in addition to the civil police constables.

TOUCH OF TRADITION

Priests perform a sacred ritual. as part of the annual Karaga procession, at Sri Dharmarayaswamy Temple in Bengaluru on Wednesday night | VINOD KUMAR T

7 students held for assaulting two juniors

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YELAHANKA New Town police have arrested seven students of a private university in the city for allegedly assaulting two of their juniors.

The victims were allegedly assaulted when they went to see a room for rent in a building near Ramanashree California Resort in Yelahanka on April 18.

The accused students, who have rented rooms on the first floor of the building, forcibly took the two juniors to one of the rooms and tortured them with lit cigarettes. Making the victims hold some drugs, the accused shot a video and threatened to portray them as drug addicts if their demand for money was not met.

In their complaint, the victims stated that the accused extorted Rs 90,000 from them. Of the amount, Rs 40,000 was to be paid as room deposit. The victims stated that the accused also assaulted them with iron rods, demanding Rs 4 lakh.

"All the students are from a private university near Yelahanka. It appears that the victims and the accused must have had a rift in the college. The students are from different states," said a police officer.

The accused have been charged with kidnap, dacoity, extortion and wrongful confinement. Further investigations are on.

KOPPAL YOUTH CLAIMS HE WAS ASSAULTED OVER 'JAI SHRI RAM' SLOGAN IN BAR

KOPPAL: A youth from Gangavati has claimed that he was assaulted for raising 'Jai Shri Ram' slogan in a bar. The incident reportedly happened in Gangavati on Tuesday night when Kumar Rathod raised 'Jai Shri Ram' slogan and a group of youth from another community assaulted him. Rathod, who sustained minor injuries, was being treated at Gangavati taluk hospital. Police visited the place and examined the CCTV footage. Rathod said, "I was having a drink inside the bar when my friend Feroz Khan came and joined me. He asked me to put water in his glass and while doing so I chanted 'Jai Shri Ram' to which he objected. This led to a heated argument between us. I told him that it was Hanuman Jayanti. When I came out of the bar, around 25 youth from another community had gathered and they assaulted me and abused me in the name of my caste". Koppal SP Yashodha Vantagodi said, "Kumar Rathod has not given any written complaint and we have examined CCTV footage. We have not noticed any slogan being raised but we are also not denying that the incident took place. We are investigating the case from all angles. We will take action after the probe is completed." **ENS**

EXPRESS READ

BDA PROPERTY TAX COLLECTION TO BEGIN FROM MAY 1

BENGALURU: Property tax collection for flats and sites purchased from the BDA for the financial year 2024-2025 will begin from May 1. While property tax collections begin from April 1 annually, it had been deferred this year as the government nod could not be obtained to offer a 5% rebate for those paying in the first month of tax collection. A BDA official said, "We plan to offer the regular 5% discount for the early birds up to May 31. There is a proposal to extend it up to July 30 on the lines of the BBMP."

Building assets for Viksit Bharat
Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana (Housing for all)
Swachh Bharat Mission
Jal Jeevan Mission
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Woman turns down marriage proposal, man sets her home afire

PRAVEEN KUMAR @Bengaluru

A 29-year-old woman's house in Sampigehalli police limits in the city has been set ablaze by a man after she refused to marry him.

The incident happened on April 11 and the accused was arrested on Tuesday.

In a complaint, Arbina Taj, the victim, stated that she works as a tailor and lives in a rented house at Masjid Fatima Layout in Saraipalya along with her husband Syed Azam and their four children.

The accused, identified as Arbaaz, 26, is a resident of Tannery Road. He has been pestering Taj for several months to marry him. Arbaaz is unemployed and has two wives.

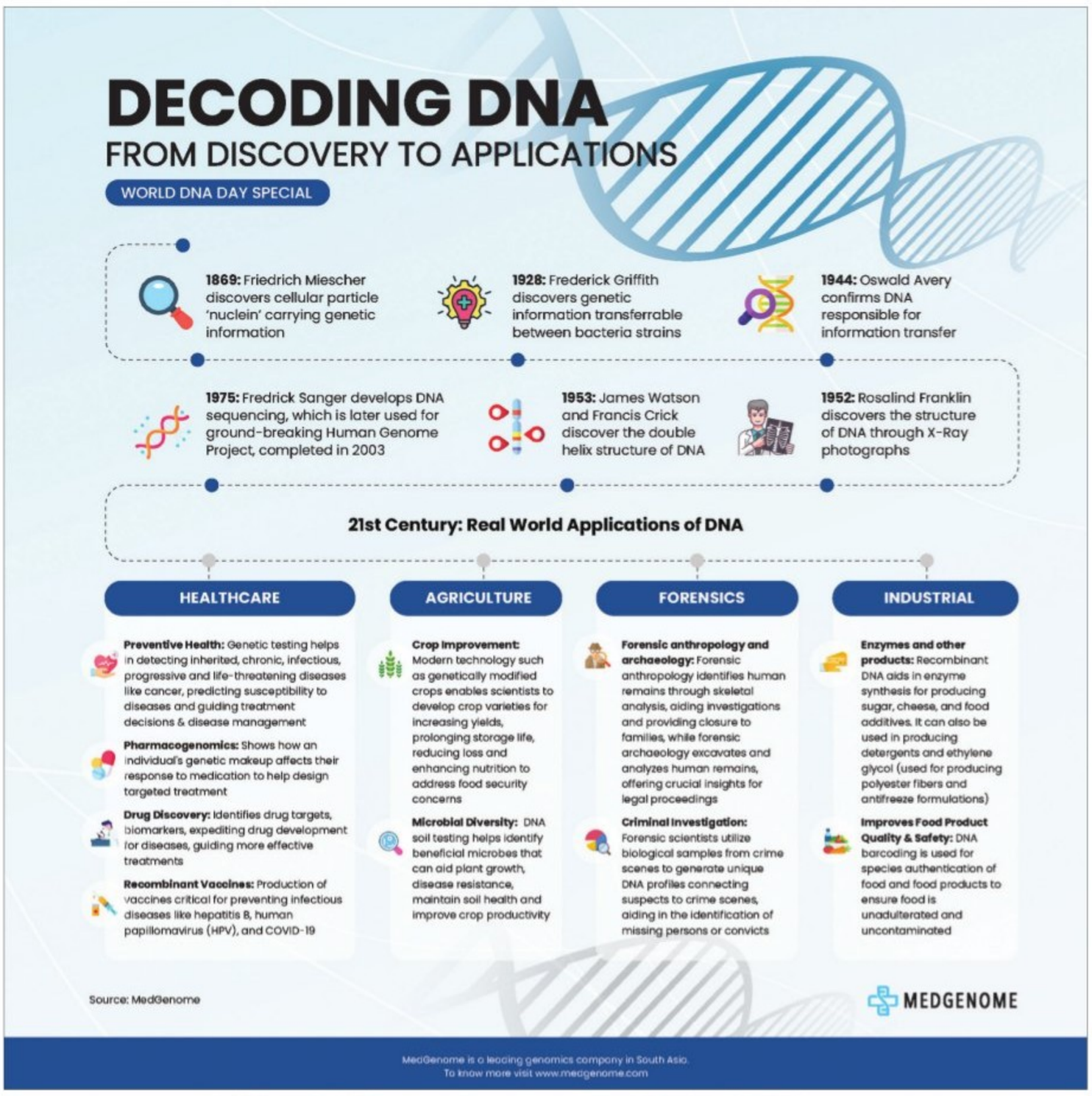
Azam, who sells clothes in Shivajinagar, had warned Arbaaz several times to keep away from his wife. Despite this, Arbaaz used to frequently call Taj. This also led to fights between Taj and Azam.

On April 10, Arbaaz is said to have called Taj from a different number and fought with her. Taj and her husband went for Ramzan shopping the same night. Around 4 am on April 11, the accused called Azam and told him that he had set fire to his house. Taj's children, who were on the ground floor of the house, called her and inform her about the blaze. When the couple rushed home, fire force personnel were dousing the blaze.

"The entire house has been destroyed. Initially it was suspected that an electrical short circuit might have triggered the fire. Officials from FSL, SOCO and electrical inspectorate visited the premises. When the police were probing the reasons for the blaze, Taj filed a complaint against Arbaaz on Monday, accusing him of setting fire to the house," said a police officer.

BLAZE AT TIMBER YARD GUTS CARS, BIKES, GARMENTS WORTH CRORES

BENGALURU: Nearly 35 two-wheelers and three cars were damaged, while garments worth several crores of rupees were gutted when a fire broke out at a timber yard on Manipal County Road in Electronics City, in the wee hours of Wednesday. No casualties were reported in the incident. The District Fire Officer (DFO) of Electronics City said the blaze started around 12.40am in the timber yard, and quickly spread to an adjacent car and bike garage, and then to the garment factory, which is located almost 100 metres from the timber yard. The public alerted the fire and emergency services department, which pressed into service seven fire tenders immediately. While the firemen were dousing the blaze at the timber yard, the fire spread to the nearby garment factory. It was brought under control after an operation of over 10 hours. Wood and other construction material in the timber yard was reduced to ashes, while about 35 two-wheelers in the bike garage were gutted. Three cars, including a Mercedes-Benz, which were left for servicing at the adjacent car garage, were also damaged, the DFO said. As the fire raged, the flames engulfed the garment factory operating from a four-storeyed building, about 100 metres away from the timber yard. "The factory caught fire three hours after the fire broke out at the timber yard, raising several questions. The garments stored on the fourth floor were completely gutted, while there was not much damage to material kept in the other floors," the DFO said. It is estimated that the loss runs into a few crores of rupees at the garment factory alone. Officials are checking if there is any foul play behind the fire. **ENS**


DECODING DNA
FROM DISCOVERY TO APPLICATIONS
WORLD DNA DAY SPECIAL
1869: Friedrich Miescher discovers cellular particle 'nuclein' carrying genetic information
1928: Frederick Griffith discovers genetic information transferrable between bacteria strains
1944: Oswald Avery confirms DNA responsible for information transfer
1975: Fredrick Sanger develops DNA sequencing, which is later used for ground-breaking Human Genome Project, completed in 2003
1953: James Watson and Francis Crick discover the double helix structure of DNA
1952: Rosalind Franklin discovers the structure of DNA through X-Ray photographs
21st Century: Real World Applications of DNA
HEALTHCARE
Preventive Health: Genetic testing helps in detecting inherited, chronic, infectious, progressive and life-threatening diseases like cancer, predicting susceptibility to diseases and guiding treatment decisions & disease management
Pharmacogenomics: Shows how an individual's genetic makeup affects their response to medication to help design targeted treatment
Drug Discovery: Identifies drug targets, biomarkers, expediting drug development for diseases, guiding more effective treatments
Recombinant Vaccines: Production of vaccines critical for preventing infectious diseases like hepatitis B, human papillomavirus (HPV), and COVID-19
AGRICULTURE
Crop Improvement: Modern technology such as genetically modified crops enables scientists to develop crop varieties for increasing yields, prolonging storage life, reducing loss and enhancing nutrition to address food security concerns
Microbial Diversity: DNA soil testing helps identify beneficial microbes that can aid plant growth, disease resistance, maintain soil health and improve crop productivity
FORENSICS
Forensic anthropology and archaeology: Forensic anthropology identifies human remains through skeletal analysis, aiding investigations and providing closure to families, while forensic archaeology excavates and analyzes human remains, offering crucial insights for legal proceedings
Criminal Investigation: Forensic scientists utilize biological samples from crime scenes to generate unique DNA profiles connecting suspects to crime scenes, aiding in the identification of missing persons or convicts
INDUSTRIAL
Enzymes and other products: Recombinant DNA aids in enzyme synthesis for producing sugar, cheese, and food additives. It can also be used in producing detergents and ethylene glycol (used for producing polyester fibers and antifreeze formulations)
Improves Food Product Quality & Safety: DNA barcoding is used for species authentication of food and food products to ensure food is unadulterated and uncontaminated
Source: MedGenome
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No one can touch the Constitution written by Ambedkar. It is sacred and it needs to be saved and taken forward for future generations

BS Yediyurappa, former chief minister

POLLING DATE
PHASE-2 APRIL 26
PHASE-3 MAY 7

DAYS TO GO
PHASE-2 1
PHASE-3 12

TOTAL SEIZURES ₹431.07 crore

FIRs BOOKED 2,066

PUBLIC GRIEVANCES REPORTED 29,147

COMPLAINTS ON CVIGIL APP 27,836

TWEET OF THE DAY

The beneficiaries of our guarantee schemes are showing their gratitude in a unique way wherever they go for election campaigning. Warranty period of Prime Minister Narendra Modi is coming to an end.

@siddaramaiah, Chief Minister

OVER 2.88 CRORE VOTERS TO CAST THEIR FRANCHISE ON APRIL 26

New Chunavane mobile app to assist citizens in locating their polling booths

POLL-TIME RESTRICTIONS

1. Silent Period declared for the last 48 hours
2. Dry Days declared for the last 48 hours
3. No loudspeaker are permitted to be used during silent period
4. Ban on opinion polls from April 19 to June 1

List of Documents to carry in case voter does not have EPIC

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OVER 2.88 crore eligible voters will cast their franchise on April 26 in the Phase-2 of polling in south and coastal Karnataka's 14 parliamentary constituencies, including those in the state capital.

Chief Electoral Officer, Karnataka, Manoj Kumar Meena, said there are 2,88,19,342 voters in Phase-2, of which 1,44,28,099 voters are male, 1,43,88,176 female and 3,067 third gender. Meena also launched the Chunavane app on Wednesday. It is available on Playstore and citizens can download it to find their polling booths. It tells voters the live status of the queue at their booth and show them parking spaces, Meena said.

A total of 1,39,495 poll officials and 5,000 micro-observers will be on duty. In all, 65 companies of paramilitary forces and 50,000 police officials have been deployed on election duty at 30,602 polling booths. Webcasting will be done from 19,701 booths, while 1,370 booths will have CCTV cameras. The 14 parliamentary constituencies going to the polls on Friday are Udupi-Chikkamagalur, Hassan, Dakshina Kannada, Chitradurga, Tumakuru, Mandya, Mysore-Kodagu, Chamarajanagar, Bangalore Rural, Bangalore Central, Bangalore North, Bangalore South, Chikkaballapur and Kolar.

Meena said people will be inked on the left hand forefinger and booths will be open from 7 am to 6 pm. Because of high temperature in most parts of the state, people will be allowed to vote till 6 pm, and the booths will remain open till the last person votes. Business enterprises, industries and other institutions, where voters are working on permanent basis or on daily wages have been directed to sanction a paid holiday on April 26. Over 90% voter slips with QR codes have been distributed to voters. Once the voter scans the QR code, it will help the voter navigate to his booth. A trial was done in the teachers' constituency election and was found successful.

Ramps, first-aid kits, ambulance facility, water, seating arrangement and other facilities have been arranged for voters. "We also had the Saksham app, where people can apply seeking for assistance like pick and drop from the booth, wheelchair and other needs. The App is now closed for inputs," Meena said.

MORE THAN 2.5 CRORE TO VOTE IN PHASE-3

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A total of 2,59,52,958 people will vote under Phase-3 of the Lok Sabha elections on May 7 in the 14 constituencies of north and central Karnataka.

Karnataka Chief Electoral Officer Manoj Kumar Meena on Wednesday said Chikkodi, Belagavi, Bagalkot, Viajaypura, Kalaburagi, Raichur, Bidar, Koppal, Ballari, Haveri, Dharwad, Uttara Kannada, Davanagere and Shimoga will vote on May 7. These constituencies have a total of 1,29,83,406 male voters, 1,29,67,607 female and 1,945 third gender voters. A total of 3,43,966 voters have been listed as People with Disabilities (PwD) and 2,29,263 voters are aged above 85. There are also 6,90,929 first-time voters.

Meena said the number of female voters is more than male voters in Phase-3. The highest number of voters are in Gulbarga Parliamentary constituency at 20,98,202, while Uttara Kannada has the lowest at 16,41,156.

The total number of voters under both Phase-2 and Phase-3 are 5,47,72,300, who will cast their vote in 58,871 polling booths. The entire state has 2,74,11,505 male voters, 2,73,55,783 female and 5,012 third gender voters.

For the by-election to the Shorapur Assembly Constituency, there are a 2,83,148 voters. There are 6,714 first-time voters, 2,383 people are aged over 85 and 3,819 are people with disabilities.

BJP targets Congress over 'failure' to help farmers

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THE BJP targeted Congress and its state government over law and order issues, minority appeasement, and the "failure" to provide relief to farmers in distress due to drought.

For Congress too, which is making all efforts for its revival at the national level, Karnataka is a key state. Stupendous victory in the 2023 Assembly polls gave the much-needed confidence to the party. The 14 seats that are going to polls on Friday include the home-turfs of CM Siddaramaiah and DCM DK Shivakumar. The party largely depends on the duo to continue its winning streak in AICC president Mallikarjun Kharge's home state. The CM and DCM campaigned extensively in the 14 constituencies. While Kharge addressed many rallies, Congress' star campaigner Rahul Gandhi addressed only two rallies -- in Kolar and Mandya.

The Congress campaign centred around the guarantee schemes implemented by the state government, the guarantees promised at the national level, and attacking the NDA government over the delay in releasing funds to tackle drought, besides the alleged disparity in tax devolution.

Webcasting from all booths in two seats

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NORMALLY during elections, webcasting is done is select polling booths that are termed sensitive. But for the first time in this Lok Sabha elections, webcasting is being done for two parliamentary constituencies of Bangalore Rural and Kodagu- Mysore.

Karnataka CEO Manoj Kumar Meena on Wednesday said the state has 58,871 polling booths, of which 30,602 are under Phase-2 and 28,269 under Phase-3. Under Phase-2, webcasting is being done in 19,701 polling booths and 1,370 will be monitored through CCTVs. This apart, webcasting will be done in all the booths in the two constituencies. This decision has been taken because of multiple factors, including an assessment done by election officials, on the demand of returning officers and on the request of the candidates. This is to ensure fair and transparent elections, he added.

Inputs from observers

Another election official said that inputs from election observers, who are appointed directly by the Election Commission of India, also play a role in deciding on webcasting. These observers also give their inputs to returning officers, who can then place the demand, he added.

STATE OF AFFAIRS

BJP state leaders release posters containing a QR code, which can be scanned to access details on recent alleged incidents of law and order breakdown in the state, in Bengaluru on Wednesday | EXPRESS

CONG WORKERS SLAM I-T RAIDS ON SURESH'S AIDE

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CONGRESS workers staged a protest against the BJP and the Union government after IT raids were conducted on the residences of Congress candidate and incumbent MP DK Suresh's aide on Wednesday. The IT raids were conducted on Gangadhar, a former Councillor and an associate of Suresh.

Speaking to reporters during a campaign rally at Kanakapura on Wednesday, DyCM and KPCC chief DK Shivakumar said the IT Department is conducting raids on Congress workers deliberately to prevent them from election campaigning. "Aren't the BJP and JDS candidates distributing money? Why are there no raids on them? The IT Department is ready with a list of people to target and they are going by that," he alleged.

Further Shivakumar alleged that officials are putting pressure on contractors to attribute the money they found on them to DK Shivakumar.

Shivakumar alleged that they raided the house of DK Suresh's driver and manhandled his wife and children during their raid. "The IT Department could not find any cash in any of the raids on our party workers. This is a deliberate ploy to obstruct our election campaign. They are specifically targeting Bengaluru Rural fearing election loss," he added. The IT raids were also carried out on Gottigere Block Congress president Sridhar, Suresh's personal secretary Sujay, Chandru, Lakshman, and Babu.

'Selective raids against oppn during polls unfair'

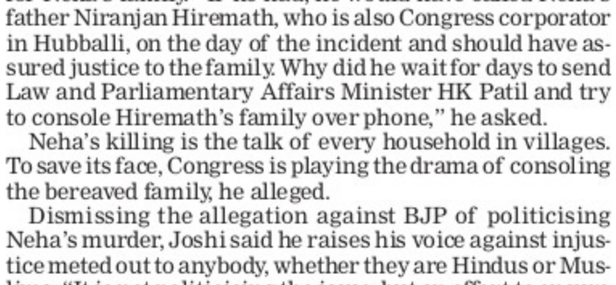
BANSY KALAPPA @ Bengaluru

FOLLOWING Income Tax department raids against those supporting Congress leaders, experts are questioning the bias of searches and seizures against the opposition alone.

Professor Trilochan Shastri, a member and trustee of Association for Democratic Reforms, said, "This should be investigated. The law should apply equally to all. Selective raids during elections, and only against the opposition, are unprecedented."

MG Devasahayam, retired IAS officer and a member of the Constitutional Conduct Group, a group of former bureaucrats seeking fairness in the system, said, "This indicates a failure of the election authorities. Once dates are notified, and till counting ends, the Election Commission has to ensure a level playing field. This is the reason they are given plenipotentiary powers. There have been several cases of errant officials being transferred if excesses are committed. If it's proved that some people have been selectively targeted during elections, it will only reflect on the Election Commission. Selective raids are not in the interest of free and fair elections."

"We are a group of former civil servants who have served Central and state governments in various capacities. We have no affiliation with any political party but are strongly committed to the ideals enshrined in the Constitution of India. At the Election Commission of India meeting of Election Observers, on March 11, 2024, the Chief Election Commissioner had stressed the importance of ensuring a level playing field for all parties and candidates, and keeping polls free from intimidation and inducements," Devasahayam said. "We have informed the EC to ensure this is applicable to Central government agencies such as IT, ED and CBI, and not to state government officials alone."



Accused Fayaz (centre) arrives at the crime scene on the BVB College campus, accompanied by CID officers, in Hubballi on Wednesday | DHEMANTH

Joshi: CM dialled Neha's dad to cut political losses

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Hubballi

UNION Parliamentary Affairs Minister Pralhad Joshi said here on Wednesday that Chief Minister Siddaramaiah called up the father of Neha Hiremath, who was brutally stabbed to death on the college campus by her former classmate last Thursday, five days after the incident to cut political losses ahead of the Lok Sabha polls as the public sentiment is totally against the state government.

He told reporters that Siddaramaiah has no real concern for Neha's family. "If he had, he would have called Neha's father Niranjan Hiremath, who is also Congress corporator in Hubballi, on the day of the incident and should have assured justice to the family. Why did he wait for days to send Law and Parliamentary Affairs Minister HK Patil and try to console Hiremath's family over phone," he asked.

Neha's killing is the talk of every household in villages. To save its face, Congress is playing the drama of consoling the bereaved family, he alleged.

Dismissing the allegation against BJP of politicising Neha's murder, Joshi said he raises his voice against injustice meted out to anybody, whether they are Hindus or Muslims. "It is not politicising the issue, but an effort to ensure justice," he added. Instead, accusing Congress of playing vote bank politics, he said, "Shouldn't no one raise their voice if persons belonging to BJP and Hindus are killed and girls are attacked in the state?" Caption: Union Minister Pralhad Joshi takes out a padayatra at a village in the Dharwad Assembly segment on Wednesday.

BJP the new East India Company, divide and rule in its DNA: Surjewala

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Hubballi

IN a scathing attack on BJP, AICC general secretary and Karnataka in-charge **Randeep Singh Surjewala** on Wednesday termed the saffron party as the new East India Company and charged that duplicity, diversionary tactics and divide and rule are in the DNA of that party.

Talking to the media here, he hit out at Prime Minister Narendra Modi for his controversial remarks on the Congress manifesto and minority Muslims. He said that since Modi does not have anything to say n his 10 years in office, he is now harping on Hindu-Muslim issues and creating a divide in society, which is deceitful. "Modi came to power in 2014 riding on hope and vision, but he is now spreading hatred and is restricted to television. He (Modi) himself projected as a commoner's prime minister, but has turned into a Paridhan Mantri, who changes his attire every now and then. He has lowered the prestige of the prime minister's office, which is highly regrettable," he said.

A systematic attack is going on against the Constitutions and the BJP government is conspiring to snatch the voting rights, reservation and other fundamental rights of the people, he alleged.

Reservations for SC/STs and OBCs are at stake because the BJP government has allowed lateral entry at the joint secretary level in the central government posts, sold around 70 public sector undertakings and not filled 30 lakh vacant posts. Officials, who are in the reservation category, have lost the opportunity to reach higher levels, he said.

Accusing the Modi government of cheating Karnataka by not releasing necessary funds, including drought relief, he said the Modi government is seeking revenge with the people of the state for electing the Congress government and not BJP's.

EXPRESS READ

FST Team files plaint against post on Cong manifesto

BENGALURU: An FIR has been lodged by the Flying Surveillance Team (FST) of Malleswaram Assembly constituency in connection with a post uploaded by the BJP's official handle on 'X'. On Tuesday, a post titled "Congress Manifesto or Muslim League Manifesto" was posted by Karnataka BJP's official handle. Taking cognisance of the same, the FST filed a complaint with the Malleswaram police on Wednesday. Following this, an FIR has been registered under Section 125 of RP Act and 153 of IPC for promoting hatred and enmity between different groups and classes of citizens.

BJP complains against Congress to ECI on 'chombu' ad

BENGALURU: BJP members lodged a complaint against Congress, with the ECI, for allegedly putting out an advertisement, which is a "false, defamatory and unverified statement". Objecting to Congress' ad depicting a 'chombu' -- a slang term used to define being cheated with empty promises -- the BJP alleged that the Congress has published ads to say the Centre has cheated Karnataka. Further the BJP pointed out that "the Congress has stated that for not giving Rs 5,400 crore special package to Karnataka, the state will give chombu to BJP." They said in fact, Karnataka has received Rs 20,986 crore in 2021-22, and also received additional aid of Rs 13,005 crores for schemes and other initiatives.

BSY loyalist Nanjundi joins Congress

BENGALURU: A day after resigning a MLC, former BJP state vice-president KP Nanjundi, a loyalist of former chief minister BS Yediyurappa, joined the Congress at the KPCC office here on Wednesday. He submitted his resignation to Legislative Council Chairman Basavaraj Horatti on Tuesday. His term as MLC was to end in June 2024. "Nanjundi is not only a Vishwakarma community leader, but also a voice of the backward classes," remarked AICC general secretary and Karnataka in-charge Randeep Singh Surjewala. He alleged that there is not even one officer from the OBC community in the post of secretary in the Government of India. "How can the backward classes be protected in such a situation? The income limit of the backward classes has not been revised and increased. There are 30 lakh vacant posts in different departments at the Centre, out of which more than eight lakh posts should go to backward classes," he said.

A fire raged for 24 hours at 28 locations of Similipal Tiger Reserve (STR) on Wednesday. The fire was aided by the relentless heat wave gripping the region. Immediate action by park authorities, on receiving satellite alerts helped contain the situation

BJP charges BJD govt of 25 years of misrule

'Ruling party looted mineral resources, deprived people of welfare schemes of Modi govt'

BIJOY PRADHAN @ Bhubaneswar

A day ahead of Union Home Minister Amit Shah's visit to Odisha, the BJP released a political chargesheet against the 25 years of BJD "misrule" in the state.

Releasing the chargesheet titled '25 years of evil deeds' of BJD government, Union Minister Bhupender Yadav said the ruling dispensation has not only looted the bountiful mineral resources of Odisha but cheated people by depriving them of the welfare schemes of Narendra Modi government at the Centre.

Launching a scathing attack on the Naveen Patnaik government, Yadav said the regional party has not fulfilled a single promise it had made to people. "The BJD government had promised to create irrigation potential for at least 35 per cent of the cultivable land in each block with cold storage facility. While area covered under irrigation is diminishing, farmers suffered huge losses due to lack of cold stores," he said.

The KALIA scheme launched by the BJD to supplement farmers' income is now floundering as only 44 lakh farmers are getting financial assistance against 75 lakh as promised. "The income of Odisha's farmers is one of the lowest in the country because of the anti-farmer policies of the state government," he said. Rising unemployment amid huge vacancies in different departments of the state government have triggered large-scale migration of youth workforce from the state to other parts of the country in search of jobs. As per reports published by media, over 40,000 labourers of Odisha migrated to other states last year alone. He said the unemployment rate which was 3.8 per cent in 2015-16 went up to 6.2 per cent in 2019-20. This proves that the BJD government has failed to fulfil the aspiration of youth.

The Union minister said the health and education system in the state has crumbled due to large-scale vacancies of doctors and teachers. Quoting government reports, he said more than 4,300 posts of teachers in higher education are lying vacant while around 8,000 schools have been closed from 2015 to 2021. Describing the BJD government as a 'government of scams', Yadav said the Justice MB Shah Commission had exposed mining scam in the state to the tune of ₹60,000 crore. "Now the government has supplied cheaper thermal power from the state to Tamil Nadu while charging higher power tariff from consumers within Odisha," he added.

SUMMER DELIGHTS

With the onset of summer watermelons, muskmelons and other summer fruits on sale at a vegetable market in Chennai on Wednesday

Delhi L-G meets church heads in Kerala

ENS @Kochi/Pathanamthitta

IN a move which the Opposition termed as Modi-government's "intimidation tactics" on the eve of the election, Delhi Lt Governor V K Saxena arrived in Kochi and met various Church heads in Kerala, including the Syro-Malabar Church head Major Archbishop Mar Raphael Thattil, Major Archbishop Emeritus George Alencherry, and evangelist leader Tangu Brother in Kottayam.

The two-day tour, which the Lt Governor's office said "personal and unrelated to the elections", saw Saxena visiting the headquarters of the Syriac Knanaya Archdiocese in Chingavanam, and interacting with Chief Metropolitan Severios Kuriakose for approximately 20 minutes. The Opposition Congress has reacted strongly to Lt Gov Saxena's visit. "They (Centre) are misusing the power. This will not make any impact. The Christian community will rally strongly behind the Congress and UDF," said Ramesh Chennithala, CWC member.

'GANDHI AWE FACTOR IS NO LONGER VISIBLE IN WAYANAD'

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CLEARLY displeased, the Left has been grumbling over the move ever since.

Annie, though taken aback by Rahul's candidature, is expected to garner more votes than any previous Left candidate in the constituency because of her national stature and innate ability to connect with people. Her native, religious roots could also work to her advantage – her family was among the early Christian settlers in the high ranges of north Kerala. The candidature of BJP state president K Surendran was a surprise. It has indeed spiced up the fight in Wayanad. That the BJP central leadership decided to field its state president in a constituency where the party has minimal reach – its vote share has never crossed 9% in any of the elections – is still intriguing to many.

Several star campaigners of the BJP– including Union minister Smriti Irani, Assam CM Himanta Biswa Sarma, and Tamil Nadu BJP chief K Annamalai – arrived in Wayanad to campaign for Surendran. It is another story that these VIP visits were more about Rahul and less about Surendran as all of them used the opportunity to take potshots at the Nehru-Gandhi scion. Though Prime Minister Narendra Modi has been saying the "Congress shehzada" will lose from Wayanad this time, nobody – not even Surendran – would have realistic expectations of such an outcome. Rahul's opponents, however, would be eyeing a dip in his victory margin. A moral victory of sorts. And that does not seem unlikely, as the 'Gandhi awe factor' is no longer visible in Wayanad.

RBI ex-guv: Civil servants shouldn't be used as publicists

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @Hyderabad

REFERRING to the Narendra Modi regime's circular instructing bureaucrats to highlight the government's achievements last year, former Reserve Bank of India Governor D Subbarao on Wednesday said that civil servants should not be used as publicists for political mileage. Speaking at the launch of his book "Just a Mercenary?: Notes from My Life and Career" here on Wednesday, Subbarao said: "The deciding line is very thin. It is a line that both politicians and civil servants have to be conscious of and respect."

He opined that there should be a "cooling-off" period before IAS officers and diplomats take the political plunge. According to the former RBI governor, civil servants have to stay anonymous and unbiased. It is essential that civil servants keep their ears to the ground, he said. The former RBI Governor said that tensions between the government and Central bank are hardwired into the system. These tensions are a function of the chemistry between the Union finance minister and prime minister on one side and the Governor on the other, Subbarao added.

Stating that the RBI has become more independent over time, he said that the "impressionistic" view that the Central bank's independence is being curtailed was shaped by "sensational" and "misleading" news.

Speaking to TNIE, the former RBI governor said that while India's projected rise to the third-largest economy was quite possible, the real challenge is to ensure that the benefits of growth are widely shared. Stating that growth rose to 7.6% from 7.2% last year, Subbarao said that India was projected to overtake Germany and Japan soon. "Ensuring that the benefits of growth are widely shared, particularly among the bottom segments of the population, is important to sustain the rate of growth," he said.

EXPRESS READ

Maoist tells tea estate workers to boycott Lok Sabha polls in Wayanad

Kalpetta: The presence of Maoists has been reported Wayanad district. A 4-member group led by CP Moideen reached the residence of tea estate workers in Kambamala on Wednesday urging them to boycott the upcoming elections. The quartet made their way into the forest after raising slogans at the junction. The group had appeared months after an encounter in Periya following which the commandos had captured two Maoists .

Karnataka to be hot, humid till April 28

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Puviarasan said hot and humid conditions will prevail over Dakshina Kannada, Udupi and Uttara Kannada districts from April 24 to 28. Overall, there will be a rise in maximum temperature by 2-3 degrees Celsius across the state in the next five days.

Another official from IMD said though the department has not issued the heat wave alert for Bengaluru urban and rural districts, it has forecast an increase in maximum temperatures. Hot and humid conditions will also prevail over the state capital. Puviarasan said regular weather updates are provided to election officials to ensure proper preparations for polling. Chief electoral officer (CEO) of Karnataka Manoj Kumar Meena said special arrangements have been made in places where temperature is rising. Special medical kits have been sent to all polling booths for staffers and voters. Arrangements have been made to help those affected by sunstroke and dehydration. All booths will have health officers and ambulances, he added.

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Schedule of Property Mortgaged: SCHEDULE PROPERTY– A: All that part and parcel of property bearing **Site No.33, Katha No.240/2/65, Survey No.65**, vide conversion order No.B, Dis. **ALN SR.6110(3328) dt.20.06.1972**, in the office of the Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District, Bangalore, situated at: Kowdenahalli Village, K.R. Puram Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, Bangalore, CMC ward No.8, now under limits of BBMP, Bangalore, New CMC Katha No.2090, Measuring :East to West : 40 Feet, North to South : 30 Feet, totally in all measuring 1200 Square feet, and property being bounded on the: East by : 30 feet Road, West by :Site No.30, North by : Site No. 32, South by :Site No.34
The present market value of the schedule property is Rs.20,00,000/- (Rupees Twenty Lakhs Only)

If you fail to repay the aforesaid sum with interest and incidental expenses within 60 days from the date of this notice, Bank shall exercise all or any of the rights detailed under sub section (4) of the section 13 of the SARFAESI Act. You are also put on notice that in terms of sub section 13 of section 13, you shall not transfer by sale, lease or otherwise the said secured asset detailed above without obtaining written consent of the Bank. This notice is without prejudice to the Banks rights to initiate such other action or legal proceedings as it deem necessary under any other applicable provisions of law.
Your attention is invited to provisions of sub-Section (8) of Section 13 of the SARFAESI Act whereunder you can tender the entire amount of outstanding dues together with all costs, charges and expenses incurred by the Bank only till the date of publication of the notice for sale of the secured asset(s) by public auction, by inviting quotations, tender from public or by private treaty. Please also note that if the entire amount of outstanding dues together with the costs, charges and expenses incurred by the Bank is not tendered before publication of notice for sale of the secured assets by public auction, by inviting quotations, tender from public or by private treaty, you may not be entitled to redeem the secured asset(s).

Place:Bengaluru
Date: 16.04.2024

Sd/- Authorised Officer
State Bank of India
RACPC , Bangalore Central, BENGALURU

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Sr No.	Loan Account No.	Type of Loan	Name of borrowers and co-borrowers	Section 13 (2) Notice Date	Outstanding amount as per Section 13 (2) Notice	Property Address
1	13492697, 34840011, 5123375 & 5230717	Loan Against Property	1. G. R. Creation 2. Mariyappa M 3. Raju M	20.04.2024	INR 66,84,762.23/-	All That Piece And Parcel Of Property Bearing Site No. 3384, New Municipal No. 580/3384, Situated At 2nd Stage, Kumaraswamy Layout, Bangalore, Karnataka-560078, Measuring East To West 6.09 Mtrs. And North To South 10.66 Mtrs., In All Measuring 64.92 Sq. Mtrs. And Super Builtup Area Of 1275 Sq. Ft., And Bounded As: **East : Road, West : Site No. 3385, North : Site No. 3391/A, South : Road**

You are hereby called upon to pay the amounts to **IDFC FIRST Bank Limited (erstwhile Capital First Limited, amalgamated with IDFC Bank Limited and presently known as IDFC First Bank Limited)** as per the details shown in the above table with contracted rate of interest thereupon from their respective dates and other costs, charges etc., within 60 days from the date of this publication, failing which the undersigned shall be constrained to initiate proceedings, under Section 13 (4) and section 14 of the SARFAESI Act, against the mortgaged properties mentioned hereinabove to realize the amount due to **IDFC FIRST Bank Limited (erstwhile Capital First Limited, amalgamated with IDFC Bank Limited and presently known as IDFC First Bank Limited)** . Further you are prohibited under Section 13 (13) of the said Act from transferring the said secured assets either by way of sale/lease or otherwise.

Sd/-
Authorized Officer
IDFC First Bank Limited
(erstwhile Capital First Limited, amalgamated with IDFC Bank Limited and presently known as IDFC First Bank Limited)

Date : 25.04.2024
Place : Bangalore, Karnataka

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Appendix – IV-A
[See proviso to Rule 6(2) & 9(1)]
e-AUCTION ON 15.05.2024
SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF MOVABLE & IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Movable and Immovable Properties under Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 6(2) & 9(1) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and the Borrower/Mortgagors/Guarantors in particular that the below described movable and immovable properties mortgaged/charged/hypothecated to the Secured Creditor, State Bank of India, Bengaluru, the Physical Possession of which has been taken by the Authorized Officer of the Bank, will be sold on **"As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is"** basis on **15.05.2024** for recovery of **Rs. 1,07,06,250/- (Rupees One Crore Seven Lakh Six Thousand Two Hundred Fifty Only) as on 22.04.2024 and further interest from 23.04.2024 at contractual rate with incidental expenses, costs, charges etc.** due to the Secured Creditor, State Bank of India from the **Borrower**: **Sri Aprameya Rajagopala S/o Sri.Rajagopala Appaji.**
The Reserve Price, Earnest Money Deposit (EMD), Bid increment amount and time of e-auction and last date for submission of EMD along with KYC documents for immovable properties to be sold will be as under:

Property No.	Reserve Price (Below which the property will not be sold)	Earnest Money Deposit (EMD)	Bid increment amount	Time of e-Auction of Property	Last date for submission of EMD along with KYC documents
1	Rs.55,00,000/-	Rs.5,50,000/-	Rs.55,000/-	11.00 a.m. to 16.00 p.m.	On or before 15.05.2024 up to 10.30 A.M.

DESCRIPTION OF MOVABLE & IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES

Tender No:SBI/SARB/MKC/ASJ/2024-25/11
Property ID. SBIN200037735794
SCHEDULE A PROPERTY : All that piece and parcel of residential Property presently bearing Municipal No.20/A, Ward No.94, PID No.94-160-20/A, situated at Kadugondanahalli Ward, 2nd Cross, L. N. Reddy Garden, Kariyannapalya, Kacharakanahalli Village, Bangalore, measuring 9570.80 Sq. ft. East to West: 80 Feet and North to South 119.6 feet and bounded on the East by : Road, West by: Road, North by : Lake Peripheral Road, South by: Property belongs to Ms. Jonathan.
SCHEDULE 'B' PROPERTY: 532.44 Square feet or 5.56% undivided share, right, title and interest and ownership of land in Schedule 'A' Property.
SCHEDULE 'C' PROPERTY : All that piece and parcel of residential apartment bearing Flat No.302, 3 BHK, Second Floor, constructed in the apartment building Known as "CHOWRIAPPA GRAZIA" Ward No.94, constructed in Municipal No. 20/A, Kadugondalahalli Ward, L. N. Reddy Garden, Kariyanna Palya, Kacharakanahalli, Bangalore, the flat having super built up area of 1701 Sq. feet., Carpet area of 1360.8 Sq. feet, and UDS of 532.44 Sq. feet walls constructed with cement and bricks, doors made of honne wood, steel windows, with vitrified tiles flooring and provided with all civic amenities along with one covered Car Parking in stilt floor and with proportionate share in the common areas, entrances, stair cases, passages, corridors, lifts etc., provided in the Schedule 'A' Property. The apartment in Flat No. 302 is standing in the name of Sri.Aprameya Rajagopala S/o Sri.Rajagopala Appaji.
RESERVE PRICE: Rs.55,00,000/- (Rupees Fifty Five Lakh Only)
EMD: Rs.5,50,000/-(Rupees Five Lakh Fifty Only)

STATUTORY 15 DAYS SALE NOTICE UNDER "SARFAESI" ACT, 2002.

The Borrowers/Guarantors/Corporate Guarantors/Mortgagors are hereby noticed to pay the sum mentioned above within 15 days from the date of publication of this notice failing which the Bank shall sell the properties as per the provisions laid down in the SARFAESI ACT, 2002.
For detailed terms and conditions of the sale, please refer to the links provided by the Secured Creditor, State Bank of India, Stressed Assets Recovery Branch, J. C. Road, Bengaluru, represented by its Authorised Officer, i.e., (1) www.sbi.co.in & (2) www.mstcecommerce.com/auctionhome/ibapi/index.jsp, or Bank's approved Resolution Agent, Sri Devi Resolutions Pvt.Ltd, Bangalore Representative: Sri. Chayapathy, Cell No.9901902500.

Date: 22.04.2024
Place: Bengaluru

Sd/-Authorised Officer & Chief Manager,
State Bank of India,
Stressed Assets Recovery Branch, Bengaluru

QuoteExpress **IF YOU'RE GOING THROUGH HELL, KEEP GOING** › WINSTON CHURCHILL

> The central government's pro-people schemes and a vision for a developed India will lead the party towards victory. PM Narendra Modi's agenda for a developed India is known globally
>
> Yaduveer Wadiyar, BJP Mysuru-Kodagu Lok Sabha candidate

'Is Rahul a Maoist leader to dream of revolution'

BR UDAYA KUMAR @Hassan

TAKING a dig at Congress leader Rahul Gandhi over the "wealth survey" and "redistribution of wealth" comments, JDS supremo HD Deve Gowda on asked if the former is a Maoist leader to dream of a revolution.

At a press conference here, Gowda, a former PM, said Rahul has insulted and humiliated two of the then Congress PMs who brought market reforms and increased the wealth of the nation. "Rahul is indirectly trying to say that all that the two Congress PMs did was wrong. He is trying to tear their economic reforms like he had torn up an ordinance issued by the Manmohan Singh government," he said.

The Congress has promised so many things in its manifesto that only a party that is very sure of never coming to power will promise so much, Gowda quipped adding that the grand old party wants to come to power at any cost and turn the country upside down.

Ridiculing Rahul's statement that he wants to give 30 lakh new central government jobs, Gowda said there are only 40 lakh sanctioned jobs and how can he overnight add 30 lakh more jobs and where will he employ them.

"Will he make them lift operators at government offices and make them work in four shifts. Only someone with no practical knowledge can speak like this," he said. He also asked former finance minister and chairman of Congress manifesto committee P Chidambaram if he agrees with Rahul's "immature" economic ideas.

To a question, Gowda reiterated that NDA alliance candidates will win all the 28 seats in the state. He also expressed unhappiness with the non-cooperation by a section of BJP workers in Hassan and Mandya.

WEALTH REDISTRIBUTION

KHARGE SLAMS PM, TERMS REMARK SHAMEFUL

Says Modi should not stoop to such lows, Cong manifesto aims at welfare of all people

AICC President Mallikarjun Kharge and Chief Minister Siddaramaiah flanked by Congress leadaers during the inauguration of the election campaign in Afzalpur, Kalaburagi district, on Wednesday | EXPRESS

RAMAKRISHNA BADSESHI
@ Afzalpur (Kalaburagi district)

HITTING out at Prime Minister Narendra Modi for his remarks that the Congress wants to snatch the mangalsutra of women as part of its intention to redistribute wealth, AICC president Mallikarjun Kharge said that the PM should not stoop to such lows, which is a shameful act.

Addressing an election meeting at Afzalpur in Kalaburagi district, Kharge said Modi was comparing the Congress manifesto with that of the Muslim League's. "I do not know what has happened to the Prime Minister. I have written to him for an open discussion on a common platform on the issue. If he accepts my invitation, I will discuss with him our (Congress) manifesto. The Congress is such a great party that it aims at the welfare of all human beings," Kharge said, adding that the Congress manifesto has many schemes for the youth, women, farmers, and SC/ST students.

Kharge, a former MP from Kalaburagi, also listed the development work done by him for the district when he was a minister in Karnataka and at the Centre during the UPA regime.

Further hitting out at the PM, Kharge said, "He (Modi) will not only tell lies, but he and Union Home Minister Amit Shah are not pro-people. If the time comes, they will sell the nation, and people like Ambani and Adani will buy it."

The AICC chief turned emotional while referring to his defeat in the 2019 Parliamentary elections in Kalaburagi. "Though I secured fewer votes in Afzalpur, I cannot say that it was the only reason for my defeat. The so-called great leaders of the BJP, including Amit Shah and Sulibele Chakravarthi, camped here to defeat me. I have recovered from the shock of my defeat. Now, the Congress has fielded Radhakrishna Doddamani as the candidate. See my work in Kalaburagi district and exercise your franchise in favor of Radhakrishna to show that the people of Kalaburagi are in favor of the Congress. That would be a lesson for Modi. If he (Radhakrishna) faces defeat, it means you people have removed me from your heart," Kharge told the voters. Radhakrishna is the son-in-law of Kharge.

Kharge further said that he will not retire from politics for now, and will continue his fight for the welfare of the oppressed classes and to defeat the RSS. "I may or may not contest the elections... it is a different thing. But I will not retire from politics at any time. I will be with the people of my karmabhoomi Kalaburagi and janmabhoomi Bidar till my last breath," an emotional Kharge said.

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>
> Mallikarjun Kharge, AICC president

> *What happened to the PM's promises of giving Rs 15 lakh to every one by bringing back black money, providing 2 crore jobs every year and doubling the income of farmers*
>
> Siddaramaiah, Chief Minister

What happened to BJP promises, CM asks voters

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @Afzalpur (Kalaburagi dist)

CHIEF Minister Siddaramaiah said while the promises made by the BJP in its manifesto remained hallow, the Congress has always fulfilled its assurances made to voters.

At a massive election meeting in Afzalpur town on Wednesday, Siddaramaiah asked people what happened to the PM's promises of giving Rs 15 lakh to every one by bringing back black money, providing 2 crore jobs every year and doubling the income of farmers? These promises have not even been realised even after ten years of rule by the BJP, he said.

"On the other hand, the Congress government in Karnataka has fulfilled its promise made during the last assembly elections of implementing the five guarantees on the very day of assuming power. The state government has reserved Rs 52,000 crore for the implementation of the guarantees this year. So far, lakhs of women have benefited from the Shakti scheme. Citizens are getting 200 units of power free under the Gruha Jyoti scheme. We have implemented the Yuva Shakti scheme and Anna Bhagya scheme," the CM said. "The BJP has hijacked our guarantee schemes and named them as Modi guarantee," he added.

The BJP leaders are saying that the Congress government will withdraw the guarantees after the Lok Sabha polls, Siddaramaiah said adding, "I am a follower of Basavanna and will not stop the guarantees given by our party." The CM said AICC President Mallikarjun Kharge has been serving as a public representative for the last five decades and has worked as the voice of this region in the Lok Sabha and Rajya Sabha. "Kharge and former chief minister late Dharam Singh played a major role in bringing Article 371(J) for Kalyana Karnataka. Then deputy prime minister LK Advani had declined to bring an amendment to Article 371. Later, Kharge brought pressure on then PM Manmohan Singh and successfully amended Article 371 for the region," he said.

"See the works of Kharge, see the works of the Congress and the government and bless Congress candidate Radhakrishna Doddamani with your votes. Ask yourself whether (BJP candidate and sitting MP) Dr Umesh Jadhav has done anything for the people of Kalaburagi district, whether he raised his voice and brought any schemes to Kalaburagi. You vote for the candidate who works for you. Radhakrishna would certainly work for you," Siddaramaiah told voters.

BJP-JDS Mandya Lok Sabha candidate HD Kumaraswamy takes part in a roadshow on the last day of public campaigning on Wednesday

Mandya contest could go down to the wire

K SHIVA KUMAR @ Mandya

THE fight for the Vokkaliga heartland has turned into a prestige battle for former CM HD Kumaraswamy and KPCC chief DK Shivakumar, and is likely to go down to the wire. Both parties took out massive roadshows on Wednesday, the last day of campaigning, to charge up the atmosphere.

The Congress initially gained the upper hand by playing the local card and calling Kumaraswamy an outsider. It also accused Kumaraswamy of dumping secular values to join hands with the BJP. The JDS and Kumaraswamy are playing the emotional card, saying this election victory will bail him out of the political crisis, which seems to have touched the voters. He had filed his nomination papers after undergoing a third cardiac surgery. For the former CM, this election is a do-or-die battle for his own political survival, and to salvage his party from an existential crisis.

Apart from his efforts to prove his credibility as the most farmer-friendly chief minister the state has seen, there is a broad hint that he could be inducted into the Narendra Modi cabinet, which is also helping his cause. He also drives home the point that even if the Congress candidate wins, it is inconsequential as Modi is sure of returning to power, as predicted by a number of surveys.

Kumaraswamy, capitalising on the popularity of the Gowda family and its Vokkaliga connect, besides his rapport as two-time chief minister, is also reaching out to BJP leaders and cadres. The JDS-BJP alliance has made dry irrigation canals, sugarcane fields and farm sector losses the major issues to reach out to the farming community in this agrarian constituency.

The Congress, under the leadership of Chief Minister Siddaramaiah and DK Shivakumar, is leading the charge with an appeal to defeat Kumaraswamy for dumping secular values for power. Congress candidate and businessman Venkataraman Gowda (Star Chandru) is playing the local card, claiming he is a commoner who is keen to serve the people of his district.

The Congress, with seven sitting MLAs and three MLCs, is confident of repeating the assembly election performance that was supported by Vokkaligas and other communities, including Muslims, Dalits and backwards. Sandalwood star Darshan's active campaigning has also added star power to Congress candidate Star Chandru. Rame Gowda said they are happy that Congress has assured them it would waive farm loans and give legal cover to Minimum Support Price.

Congress candidates for Bangalore South Sowmya Reddy and North Rajeev Gowda release the party manifesto in Bengaluru on Wednesday | SHASHIDHAR BYRAPPA

Cong's B'luru 'Vision Document' promises metropolitan status

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Bengaluru

THE Congress candidates from Bengaluru on Wednesday released a 'vision document', a separate manifesto for the sustainable growth of the five Lok Sabha constituencies: Bangalore North, Central, South, and Rural, and Chikkaballapura.

Congress candidate for Bengaluru North, Prof MV Rajeev Gowda, said that the candidates have decided not to work as individual MPs but as a team for the development of the IT City. "After we get elected, we will go to Delhi and bring funds to ensure that there will be a triple engine working for the city—the Centre, the state, and the BBMP," Prof Gowda, former Rajya Sabha member, said.

The vision document mentioned Rs 1 lakh crore special grant, urban job guarantee, secure water for the city, and running the suburban rail on the existing tracks. "I have been working on the field of urban mobility and fighting for the Bengaluru Suburban Rail Project since 2008. Under KRIDE, the project is running like an old goods train. We will have to make as many people shift from private to public transport. Metro feeder buses proved to be a great success as Metro ridership increased," he said. Steps will be taken to check the water tanker maffia, and the lakes in and around the city will be rejuvenated, Prof Gowda said, promising heritage walks to showcase the city's legacy.

Congress Bengaluru South candidate Sowmya Reddy, who studied environment technology in the US, said that the efforts will be made to transform Bengaluru climate resilient by bringing in experts in the field.

The document also promised a decentralised and empowered BBMP, metropolitan city status for Bengaluru, tapping tourism potential through 'namma sanskriti-namma hemme', empowering women in the workforce, and launching 'Invest Bengaluru' on the lines of 'Invest Karnataka'.

After Shah cancels Tumakuru rally, miffed Kadugollas turn to Congress

DEVARAJ B HIREHALLI
@ Bengaluru:

UNION Home Minister Amit Shah's rally for backward classes at Kibbanahalli Cross in Tumakuru Lok Sabha constituency, scheduled to be held on Wednesday, was cancelled. He was to campaign for party candidate V Somanna. In 2019, Shah had taken part in the roadshow for sitting MP G S Basavaraju on the last day of the campaign. This time, though preparations were made, the rally was cancelled due to paucity of time, according to sources. "We don't know why Shah's rally was cancelled as the decision was made in New Delhi," said a BJP leader.

After his roadshow in Bengaluru, Shah left for Kerala where he campaigned for the party's Alappuzha Lok Sabha candidate Shobha Surendran, on Wednesday. Shah has taken on the challenge to defeat senior Congress leader and AICC general secretary (Organisation) KC Venugopal, said to be Rahul Gandhi's Man Friday. Alappuzha also goes to polls on Friday.

Back in Tumakuru, a section of Backward Class community members, especially Kadugollas, felt let down as they had expected Shah to commit the ST tag for the community, as promised by former PM HD Deve Gowda.

A group of community leaders held a press conference in Tumakuru on Wednesday and extended their support to the Congress. "We didn't expect it from Deve Gowda, but expected Amit Shah to make an announcement with regard to the ST tag," said director of Kadugolla Welfare Association DT Sampath Kumar of Maddanakunte in Hiriyur taluk of Chitradurga district.

Karnataka Rajya Kadugolla Budakattu Mahasabha president Dr Doddamallaiah claimed that the community has traditionally backed the Congress.

"Chief Minister Siddaramaiah, through a cabinet decision in 2014, recommended ST quota for Kadugollas. He had also given us recognition by including including 'Kadu Golla' and 'Hatti Golla', as it was mentioned as 'Golla' earlier in the caste list," said Harogere Maranna, general secretary of the association.

Another leader from the community, Rajanna, had extended support to the BJP a few days ago, expecting Amit Shah to hold the rally. He had also organised the community members for the event.

The community has a presence in 38 taluks of 11 districts in central Karnataka, including Tumakuru, Chitradurga and Hassan. Their population is roughly estimated at 6-7 lakh, and they mostly live as a community in 1,264 hamlets (hattis).

Kalaburagi HC Bench takes up Beda Jangama certificate case

Kalaburagi: The Kalaburagi bench of the Karnataka High Court continued hearing of the petition challenging the judgment of the single-judge bench of the Kalaburagi bench asking the District Election Officer to accept the nomination filed by Raviswamy for elections to Gulbarga Lok Sabha seat, and stayed the judgment of the single judge. Raviswamy, who belongs to Beda Jangama community, filed his nomination papers for the Gulbarga (SC Reserved) constituency, to contest as an SC candidate. On the day of scrutiny on April 20, District Election Officer and Kalaburagi DC Fouzia Tarannum rejected the nomination papers of Raviswamy, stating that the Beda Jangama certificate is not acceptable for election to SC Reserved constituency. Raviswamy challenged the rejection and filed a petition before the single-judge bench, which issued orders on Tuesday, asking the District Election Officer to accept the nomination papers of Raviswamy. The officer approached the division bench of the Kalaburagi HC Bench, which, with the consent of the Karnataka High Court Chief Justice, took up the hearing of the case on Wednesday, and stayed the order of the single judge bench. The court is expected to take up his plea on Thursday. ENS

Vokkaliga candidates woo smaller caste groups in B'lore Rural

BANSY KALAPPA @Bengaluru

WITH the majority Vokkaliga vote in Bangalore Rural Lok Sabha constituency expected to split be down the middle, the Congress and BJP candidates are not leaving any stone unturned to woo smaller castes and communities. Vokkaligas constitute 36-45% of the population in almost all of the eight assembly constituencies that make up Bangalore Rural. After them, small communities like Thigalas, Gollas, Kumbaras, Kurubas, Besthas, Ganigas, Devanga, Vishwakarma, Bhovis and Lambanis among others will come into play.

It is this block that has caught the eye of the campaign teams of DK Suresh (Congress) and Dr CN Manjunath (BJP-JDS) who are wooing them to turn the tide in their favour.

Both the candidates are working on attracting these small castes and communities in the five rural constituencies--Kanakapura (2.3 lakh voters), Ramanagara (2.15 lakh), Magadi (2.35 lakh), Kunigal (2 lakh) and Chennapatna (2.27 lakh) – and in the three urban constituencies.

There are also about 15-20% SC Right and Left communities in these constituencies, includes

Bhovis and Lambanis, who also form part of the SC vote.

Muslims form the third largest chunk in the rural and urban constituencies. While the community population is a mere 6.4% in Magadi, it swells up to 16.24% in Ramanagara. Veerashaiva-Lingayats, a formidable force in North Karnataka, do not account for much in the south of the sate, especially in Bangalore Rural where they account for 6.1% in Magadi and a mere 2.86% in Ramanagara, 2.43% in Kanakapura and 1% in Channapatna.

The Thigalas account for 4-5% uniformly in all the five rural constituencies and are in negligible numbers in other constituencies. The three urban segments of Bangalore South assembly constituency has 6.3 lakh voters where Brahmins account for about 12% of the vote share, while RR Nagar has 4.6 lakh voters with Brahmins accounting for 7.9%.

Anekal, which has 3.75 lakh voters, there are 8.75% Reddys and in Bangalore South, its 3.3%. The voter composition in these constituencies are Kurubas, Devangas, Vishwakarmas, Madivalas, Arya Vaishyas and others who are spread out across all the eight constituencies. There are many microscopic groups like Christians too.

With the fight expected to be neck-and-neck every small caste counts and Suresh's and Manjunath's poll managers are making every effort to woo the caste leaders.

"The manifesto of the INDIA alliance, which says 50 per cent reservation will be given to women, MSP will be provided to farmers... the NDA is unnerved because of that. The alliance is doing a good job

Mehbooba Mufti, PDP leader

RAJ STAGE SET FOR 2ND PHASE UNDER SCORCHING SUN

Union minister Gajendra Singh Shekhawat, Speaker Om Birla among others in fray

RAJESH ASNANI @ Jaipur

AS the sun beats down on Rajasthan's desert expanse, the political climate is heating up even more in anticipation of Friday's elections.

With voting set to take place across 13 constituencies, the state has become a focal point of intense campaigning, with star campaigners from major parties leaving no stone unturned to ensure victory.

Five to eight high-profile seats have caught the public's attention due to the stakes of the candidates involved.

In the Jodhpur constituency, BJP's Gajendra Singh Shekhawat is locked in a fierce contest with Karan Singh Uchiarada from Congress. Having won the seat in both 2014 and 2019, Shekhawat faces a tough challenge from Uchiarada, who also hails from the Rajput community.

Kota-Bundi Lok Sabha seat is another battleground where BJP's Om Birla, a two-time winner, is facing a formidable challenge from Prahlad Gunjal, who recently switched allegiance from BJP to Congress, belongs to the Gurjar community and enjoys the backing of ex-CM Vasundhara Raje, making the race closely contested.

Chittorgarh seat sees BJP state president CP Joshi locking horns with Congress's Anjana Udaylal and BSP's Meghwal Radheshyam. Joshi's campaign is further complicated by the presence of rebel BJP MLA Chandrabhan Singh Akya, who poses a significant threat due to his strong grassroots support and anti-Joshi sentiments.

In Rajsamand, Mahima Singh Mewar (BJP) and Damodar Gurjar (Congress) are the main contenders. While the seat is traditionally considered safe for the BJP, the last-minute change in Congress's candidate has added a new dimension to the race, nominating Damodar Gurjar for this seat. Initially, Congress had chosen Sudarshan Rawat, who later backed out. Subsequently, Gurjar, originally fielded in Bhilwara, was moved to this seat.

Religion plays a key role in the Udaipur constituency following the murder of tailor Kanhaiyalal. BJP's Mannalal Rawat and Congress's Tarachand Meena are the main contenders, with Congress facing potential vote bank erosion.

The Tonk-Sawai Madhopur seat witnesses a polarised contest between BJP's Sukhbir Singh Jonapuria and MLA Harish Meena, with Gurjar-Meena vote polarisation evident. Banswara-Dungarpur seat is embroiled in controversy with Congress supporting candidate of BAP, Rajkumar Rot at the last minute and their official candidate, Arvind Damor, refuses to withdraw.

In Ajmer, the BJP has nominated MP Bhagirath Chaudhary for reelection, while Ramchandra Choudhary, a seasoned dairy chairman, represents Congress. In Bharatpur, the Jat movement shapes the electoral landscape. The area boasts around 5 lakh Jat voters. Additionally, the region has about 3.50 lakh Jatav voters. Congress's Sanjana belongs to this community, while BJP's Ramswaroop Koli has previously won from the Bayana seat.

It's a three-way contest in the Barmer-Jaisalmer seat. An independent candidate Ravindra Singh Bhati has emerged as a prominent figure, causing concern for both Kailash Chaudhary (BJP) and Umedaram Beniwal (Congress).

The electoral battleground also features the sons of two former CMs, Vaibhav Gehlot and Dushyant Singh, contesting from Jalore-Sirohi and Jhalawar respectively.

Similarly, Dushyant Singh's fifth-time bid from Jhalawar has posed questions about the strength of his opposition.

VOTERS

NO OF AC SEGMENTS: 200
TOTAL VOTERS: 2,80,78,399
SERVICE VOTERS: 26,837
MALE VOTERS: 1,44,48,966
FEMALE VOTERS: 1,36,02,272
THIRD-GENDER VOTERS: 324
FIRST-TIME VOTERS (18-19 YRS): 8,66,835
DISABLED VOTERS: 3,22,829
VOTERS ABOVE 85 YEARS: 3,01,742

High-stake 13-seat fight

With this phase, polls to all 25 seats in the desert state will be over; 12 constituencies went to the polls in the first phase

● Voters ● Voters turnout (%)

KEY SEATS GOING FOR POLLS

JODHPUR
Key contestants in 2024: GAJENDRA SINGH SHEKHAWAT (BJP) vs KARAN SINGH UCHYARDA (INC)
2019 WINNER: Gajendra Singh Shekhawat (BJP)
● 13,47,933 ● 68.89

JHALAWARBARAN
Key contestants in 2024: DUSHYANT SINGH (BJP) vs URMILA JAIN BHAYA (INC)
2019 WINNER: Dushyant Singh (BJP)
● 13,70,017 ● 71.96

BARMER
Key contestants in 2024: KAILASH CHOUDHARY (BJP) vs UMMEDA RAM BENIWAL (INC) vs RAVINDRA SINGH BHATTI (IND)
2019 WINNER: Kailash Choudhary (BJP)
● 14,22,875 ● 73.3

KOTA
Key contestants in 2024: OM BIRLA (BJP) vs PRAHLAD GUNJAL (INC)
2019 WINNER: Om Birla (BJP)
● 13,67,928 ● 70.22

BANSWARA
Key contestants in 2024: MAHENDRAJEET SINGH MALVIYA (BJP) vs RAJKUMAR RAUT (BAP)
2019 WINNER: Kanakmal Katara (BJP)
● 14,40,109 ● 72.9

JALORE
Key contestants in 2024: VAIBHAV GEHLOT (CONGRESS) vs LUMBARAM CHOUDHARY (BJP)
2019 WINNER: Devaji Patel (BJP)
● 13,61,627 ● 65.74

CHITTORGARH
Key contestants in 2024: CP JOSHI (BJP) vs UDAY LAL ANJANA (INC)
2019 WINNER: CP Joshi (BJP)
● 14,59,266 ● 72.39

ALWAR
Key contestants in 2024: BHUPENDRA YADAV (BJP) vs LALIT YADAV (INC)
2019 WINNER: Balak Nath (BJP)
● 12,68,477 ● 67.17

'Caste census not a key election issue'

AS a political row erupts over Prime Minister Modi's allegations against Congress' promises in its manifesto, Lok Sabha Speaker and BJP candidate from Kota parliamentary seat **Om Birla** said the party was spreading falsehood to garner votes. Speaking to **Preetha Nair** during the campaign, Birla said 'caste census' was not a key issue in the Lok Sabha elections and that the Congress was making unnecessary noise about it. **Excerpts:**

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You are seeking a third term from Kota. How confident are you?
I have fought five elections so far. I will always work hard to keep the voters' trust alive. This election is to choose Prime Minister Narendra Modi for the third time as the people have trust in his leadership.

Congress has objected to PM Modi's election speech in Rajasthan where he accused the Congress of giving reservations to Muslims out of the SC and ST quota in Andhra Pradesh. Your comment.
Congress is spreading falsehood. It has been alleging that the BJP will change the Constitution and end reservations if we come to power for a third term. On several occasions, PM Modi asserted in the Rajya Sabha that reservations for Dalits, backward classes, and tribals cannot be ended and the Constitution can't be altered. In 2011, Congress said that Muslims would have the first claim to the nation's wealth. PM Modi spoke about it in the rally and this information should reach the people. The Congress is trying to create divisions among SC/ST communities by spreading misinformation to get their votes. The fact is that the government has equally distributed schemes among SC, ST OBCs, the poor, and underprivileged communities.

The main plank of the Opposition is about a nationwide caste census. Will the BJP government conduct a caste census if it gets a third term?
Congress is raising issues that have no relevance in this election. They are clueless about who is the leader of the alliance, their PM face, etc. They are equally clueless about the issues they raise.

Are you saying that the caste census is not an issue in this election?
On the caste census issue, the party has already had discussions and it has made its position clear. The caste census is not a key issue in the election.

The Opposition has approached the Election Commission alleging that PM Modi's speeches have a polarising impact. His remarks on minority communities were condemned by all...
Polarisation is not ours but the Congress' main agenda. Their strategy is to divide and win. Our party takes everyone along.

The Opposition says the BJP is rattled after the first phase of polls. In Rajasthan too, there was a very low turnout...
We are confident of winning the election. The Opposition made similar claims in 2014 and 2019. The turnout was low because their supporters did not turn up to vote for them. The reason is that they don't have a PM candidate. Voters are aware that the Opposition won't be able to form a government at the Centre.

A lot of defections have taken pace. As Lok Sabha Speaker, what is your view?
Politicians quitting their parties and fighting elections for other parties happens all the time. But I think party hopping is not ethical. I feel that if a politician is unhappy with a certain party, then he/she should switch to other parties with some ideological similarities.

If the Modi government returns, will you continue as the Speaker?
I am a BJP worker and am fighting the polls as a party worker.

Unemployment and inflation are being flagged as main issues by many surveys. Your views.
PM Modi has launched several programmes in the last 10 years to address unemployment and to create jobs.

Kota is a reputed coaching hub but has turned an epicentre of student suicides...
Lakhs of students come here to study and they are like our family. I wish to tell them to keep calm, face challenges, and fight. Don't get stressed. Success will come today or tomorrow.

The Opposition says there has been no progress on the proposed Kota airport...
The formalities of Kota airport have been completed. The process was stuck because of the previous Congress government's attitude. As soon as the BJP government came to power, we cleared the dues. Now the DPR for the airport will be made, and the work will start.

POLL PITCH

Rahul firms up stand, says none can stop him from holding caste survey

PREETHA NAIR @ New Delhi

IN a strong pushback against Prime Minister Modi's attack on Congress on its alleged promise of redistributing wealth to Muslims, former Congress president Rahul Gandhi said the BJP is in a "panic mode" after the Congress released its revolutionary manifesto. The Wayanad MP also dubbed caste census his "life mission" and asserted that it will be the first task his party will take up if it comes to power.

Modi has been consistently attacking the Congress in his election rallies, alleging that the party would snatch the wealth of the people, including the mangalsutras of women, and distribute it among the Muslims.

Addressing the 'Samajik Nyay Sammelan' in the capital, Gandhi said, "Caste census is not politics for me, it is my life mission. No power in the world can stop the caste census. The census will be the first task we will take up when the Congress is elected to office. This is my guarantee."

In the manifesto, released recently, the party has promised to conduct a Socio-Economic and Caste Census (SECC) to enumerate the castes and subcastes and their socio-economic conditions. Gandhi had also said the party would conduct a financial and institutional survey to ascertain the distribution of wealth. "I am not interested in caste, I am interested in justice," he said.

Congress leader Rahul Gandhi addresses the 'Samajik Nyay Sammelan' at Jawahar Bhavan in New Delhi on Wednesday | SHEKHAR YADAV

Referring to the PM's criticism, Gandhi however said he had not yet suggested any solution but only the way to identify the problem. "I have not said we will take action yet... I am just saying let's find out how much injustice has been done," he said.

"Don't think the caste census is just a survey of castes. We will also add an economic and institutional survey to it. After 70 years, it is an important step, we should assess what is the situation now and what direction we need to take. We will implement this," he said.

Referring to PM's comments, Gandhi said, "PM Modi is shaken." The former Congress president maintained that the backward, Dalits, Adivasis, and the minorities together constitute about "90 per cent" of the country's population, and yet their representation in different sectors and institutions was nil or at best negligible.

Referring to the inauguration of the new parliament building, Gandhi said ideally the President, who is the head of the state, should have been inaugurating it, but she was not allowed to do as she was an Adivasi.

Similarly, he added, no Dalits, backwards or Adivasis could be seen at the inauguration of the Ram mandir in Ayodhya. "Injustice is being done to 90 per cent of Indians. But the moment I called for checking and correcting this injustice, the PM and the BJP started attacking me," said Gandhi.

Right & Left: BJP goes all-out to promote Kerala as 'Modi's Own Country'

RAVI SHANKAR

POLITICIANS disapprove of surprises. Upending Kerala's binary bliss is a charismatic ideological interloper who is queering the pitch with a saffron surprise. The voting formula remains unchanged, however: netting male and female votes with the former calling the shots. Now women voters have given the communists and the Congress something to worry about. This time, across castes, classes and communities, the majority of them will be voting with a mind of their own.

The BJP attributes this change to Modi's stature as a pro-woman prime minister who has launched myriad schemes for them. There is also campaign chemistry. Modi's road show through Palghat was massive; women were in overwhelming presence in the crowds. "It was mass hysteria," recalls Krishnakumar, the BJP candidate from Palakkad. "Women broke into tears upon seeing the prime minister like they do in temples."

Even a large number of Muslim women favour the PM. Many of them are openly campaigning for BJP, even wearing hijabs; in Thrissur they hard-sell Suresh Gopi as the PM's personal nominee.

But doesn't BJP have a communal reputation? "Not in Kerala," denies a young girl campaigner whose thattam (short head cover) causally covers her unruly hair. "Here, he is for us, the women."

Many Muslim women, especially young, don't wear hijab. If they must, they wind their dupattas around their head desultorily. Triple talaq is not a big deal, such instances are rare. But the UCC (Uniform Civil Code), which Muslim women expect, will be implemented is the lure of Modi.

IN NORTH KERALA ESPECIALLY, WHERE THE RSS AND MUSLIM FAMILIES HAVE KEPT BLOODY VENDETTAS GOING FOR DECADES, THERE IS A MURDERED FATHER, BROTHER OR SON IN MANY HOMES. ELSEWHERE, THE COMMUNAL DIVIDE IS BETWEEN MUSLIMS AND A SECTION OF CHRISTIANS

Muslims are mostly businessmen and the Sharia law in Kerala doesn't allow the inheritance to be passed on to the daughter after the head of the family dies. This is resented by some fathers too, who have inducted their girls into the family firm.

Malappuram, a majority Muslim district specially created by Kerala's first communist CM EMS Namboodiripad on sectarian lines, has changed its psychological demographics over the previous generation. The Gulf money has brought wealth and Malappuram women and girls sport trendy hairdos beneath their designer hijabs. The traditional polyester burqa is omnipresent but is mostly worn by women belonging to the poor Muslim class. But numerous Muslim households reject the conservative values the imams are ramming down the throats of their congregations.

All this by no means suggests that Kerala's Muslim women have suddenly cast off their veil. In north Kerala especially, where the RSS and Muslim families have kept bloody vendettas going for decades, there is a murdered father, brother or son in many homes. Elsewhere, the communal divide is between Muslims and a section of Christians.

For decades Malayali women have been active stakeholders in the communist movement. Today they look prosperous at LDF campaign stops, resplendent in silk sarees and gold. At a road junction, one Marxist worker had a gold yantram (divine talisman around her neck). Make no mistake though: the BJP is promoting Kerala as Modi's Own Country.

Is women's vote bank splitting? The BJP vote share grew from 13% in 2011 to 15% to 18% now. The female ballot can get them within the 21% range to reach the critical point. Hindu women are the largest segment of Kerala's women population and have significantly veered towards BJP from the other blocs. Hinduism has emerged from its secular chrysalis to become a matter of personal pride.

It's morning in Palakkad and women dressed in traditional Mundus and veshtis are leaving with prasad and flowers. Kerala's temples are old and protected by patriarchal trees, sticking to the traditional stone and wood architecture of the region; the earth paved with flagstones around the buildings.

Till a few years ago, it seemed 'Dilli door ast' was the BJP story as the ageing Bahadur Shah Zafar put it. For Keralites, the North was a faraway Jurassic land and Modi was a distant figure. In 2024, the BJP's liege lord has finally landed in Kerala, and has a metaphorical kitchen cabinet ready for him. It is the taste of Malayali Hindutva, a flavour that will change the syncretic reputation of the Malayali forever. And it's a fast and furious moveable feast.

EDITORIAL

"The way in which I create myself is by means of a quest. I go out into the world in order to come back with a self

Mikhail Bakhtin

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— Ramnath Goenka

HUBBALLI CASE SHOULD REFOCUS ATTENTION ON WOMEN'S SAFETY

WHILE the brutal murder of Neha Hiremath on a Hubballi college campus in North Karnataka has left people in shock and outrage, it has also raised the political temperature in a state that votes on Friday. The murder, committed by Neha's former classmate, a Muslim, swiftly became a political issue and ignited a slugfest on 'love *jihad*', a term used by Hindutva organisations to denote an alleged trend of Muslim men luring Hindu women into romantic relationships in order to convert them to Islam. For the BJP, the case came up at an opportune moment, allowing it to sharpen its narrative of saving Hindu girls and community appeasement. Neha's grieving father, a Congress corporator, endorsed the love *jihad* angle; protests have broken out across the state demanding justice for the student. All this has put the government on the defensive. CM Siddaramaiah has rejected the claims of love *jihad*, said the killing was due to "personal reasons", and that the police were handling the case with efficiency. The government has promised to set up a special court to fast-track the case and punish the murderer, who was caught within an hour.

Political leaders should realise that this is neither the time nor the occasion to talk of either love *jihad* or an affair, but to deal with the case as a heinous crime that should not be repeated, definitely not on any campus. It involves the safety of women, whether at home, on campuses, on streets, or at workplaces. Women are increasingly being attacked for rejecting advances by men or for choosing to end a relationship, and religion has little to do with it. In Neha's case, the perpetrator had obviously reached the point of obsession and needed professional psychological help to deal with it.

With electioneering in the slog overs, it is inevitable that the Neha case will remain political and the BJP will play the love *jihad* card to the hilt. For the Congress, which is battling charges of minority appeasement and looking to reclaim at least a few Lok Sabha seats, the case could prove to be a minor setback. Instead of playing on people's emotions to sway their vote, parties ought to move away from divisive issues and talk of real problems affecting everyday life. But as in love and war, all is mistakenly deemed fair in elections too.

ODISHA NEEDS PLAN TO STOP 'WITCH' HUNTS

THREE-fourths of witchcraft-related murders in India are reported from just four states. According to the National Crime Records Bureau, Madhya Pradesh, Chhattisgarh, Jharkhand and Odisha take the top slots in that order, accounting for 66 out of the 85 such murders logged in 2022. The official number is just a tip of the iceberg. In Odisha, for example, NCRB puts the number of murders at 10; however, a fresh dataset compiled by rationalist thinkers says at least 606 people were brutally killed in the state in the name of witchcraft over the last 11 years, which translates to over 50 such murders every year.

In an age where the downside of artificial intelligence is debated with frenzy, superstition continues to kill. Most of it comes from the usual suspects: the tribal hinterlands. All the states that continue to report such brutal violence have sizeable tribal populations. Tribal-dominated areas are marked by poor human development indicators—access to healthcare and education top the list of critical challenges in these regions where quacks reign supreme. In Odisha, 67 percent of the murders triggered by witchcraft suspicion are reported from seven such districts.

Despite efforts to generate awareness against superstition, brutalities continue in the name of witch hunting. In January, a 55-year-old tribal man of Malkangiri district was allegedly murdered by two young people including the victim's cousin. Analysis reveals that almost a fifth of such murders are carried out by relatives and a majority of the perpetrators are from the same community. The state government brought in the Odisha Prevention of Witch Hunting Act 2013 a decade ago, but its impact has not been encouraging, as the numbers would vouch. Though the law came into existence, the administration failed to frame the rules and finalise a dedicated scheme. Seven years back, a composite action plan was devised and departments were asked to take action, but the response has been lukewarm with no budgetary heads created for the purpose. Much as the spate of witchcraft-related violence warrants vigorous awareness campaigns, the government has to go beyond perfunctoriness and launch targeted intervention in regions afflicted by the malaise. It must come up with a specific plan that acts as a deterrent, because the law alone has not gone far in stopping such violence.

QUICK TAKE

THE VOYAGE GOES ON

IT'S great news that Nasa has managed to revive Voyager 1, the spacecraft farthest from Earth, thanks to some crafty remote engineering. The oldest spacecraft, launched in 1977 and initially intended to last five years, has again started sending data from 15 billion miles away. One of the main ideas behind the craft was to communicate with other life forms, should it encounter them. So it's a storehouse of information on our planet, including music. Thanks to Robert Brown, an American ethnomusicologist who curated the global list, among the recordings is Kesarbai Kerkar's '*Jaat kahan ho*'. Isn't it otherworldly to think that aliens might one day listen to a Bhairavi bandish?

TWO conjoined developments last week in the US Congress need to be understood for their far-reaching consequences for the world order that will inevitably appear on Indian shores sooner rather than later. The first is about the House of Representatives passing the bill last Saturday for a whopping $61.8-billion aid to Ukraine, and the second devolves upon a bill on the House floor titled the 21st Century Peace Through Strength Act, tabled by the House Foreign Affairs Committee Chairman Michael McCaul, in these troubled times when the "world is on fire".

McCaul's bill sets a new threshold in the US's sanctions policy towards adversaries, which allows the transfer of frozen Russian sovereign assets in the US to meet Ukraine's needs. It is rather Kafkaesque that the US proposes to fund its proxy war against Russia with Russian reserves. To be sure, the European Union will follow suit. McCaul is a hugely influential Republican politician from Texas and he figured lately as a key interlocutor in the complex manoeuvring that resulted in Donald Trump signing off on the Ukraine aid bill on Friday in a thrilling restoration of "bipartisan consensus" in foreign policy, belying the polarisation in American politics when it comes to the core issues of the preservation of the US's global hegemony.

Russia and China have been apprehending such a historic escalation of the weaponisation of the dollar by the US, empowering itself to confiscate the reserves of adversaries and utilising them as funds to rearm itself. The subtext here is that Washington is retracting from its solemn commitment of the early 1970s to make the dollar freely available to all countries for transactions in return for acceptance of its status as reserve currency of the international community—enabling the US, in turn, to live a profligate lifestyle by printing its currency wantonly and risking massive debt burden (touching $34 trillion in April and adding $1 trillion worth of debt to the total balance every 100 days). The US Federal Reserve chief Jerome Powell warned in February that the nation is on an "unsustainable" path, as apparent also from the diminishing credibility of US bonds and recent surges in gold and bitcoin prices.

Instead of addressing the debt crisis, the US is adopting an ingenious way of "income generation" by seizing the sovereign reserves of other countries. Today, Russia and China are in the crosshairs. Such an arbitrary, unilateral rewriting of the rules of international financial order is fraught with cataclysmic chain reactions. In geopolitical terms, what is no longer possible to obfuscate is that the US's unspoken agenda in the Ukraine war all along had been to weaken Russia and stifle its potential to be an independent voice and effective presence on the global stage—put differently, to reduce Moscow to a subaltern role in world politics—that also sets a precedent for the incoming showdown between the West and China. The US-Russia-China triangle is returning with a vengeance, reminiscent of Henry Kissinger's doctrine that was conceived in a similar period of American political weakness following the Vietnam war.

In the emerging scenario, it is anybody's guess whether India's episodic diplomacy is pivoted on the above 'big picture'. For India, the Ukraine war has largely been about the access it gained to Russian oil at discounted prices—which the US condoned, given Delhi's compliance with Washington's core agenda of atrophying the India-Russia defence partnership consciously, deliberately over time.

As regards China, India of course has frozen cooperation with its neighbour in any direction, instead of attempting to leverage cooperation to mutual benefit and to moderate differences over time, which is largely the pattern of international diplomacy in modern history, except for a clutch of eternal enmities as on the Korean peninsula or Turkey-versus-Armenia.

To be sure, a moment of truth lies ahead for India as to whether it is sustainable for it to be a lotus eater in sunny climes living in a state of dreamy forgetfulness and idleness like the people represented in the world of Homer in classical age. The point is, there is a naive belief pervasive in the Indian mindset that with philistinism being the motivating force of American political culture, so long as India can pander to American business interests, especially the military-industrial complex, all is well with the world.

On the other hand, in reality, China's experience shows otherwise, as the recent six-day visit by the US Treasury Secretary to Beijing amply testified. Simply put, as much as the Biden Administration is seeking stability, predictability and communication channels in the US-China discourse, the competition is intensifying and the pressures on trade and technology remain relentless.

Then there is the incredible sales pitch by the government that their enthusiasm for India's past is not necessarily a rupture or divergence with the interests and values of the US or Europe; on the contrary, it may forge a deeper historical foundation for strategic alignment between our country and the West. Such sophistry won't fly. We shouldn't be kidding ourselves. The US has a history of clipping the wings of even its closest Western allies if they become too big for their boots. It dealt with Japan in the 1970s when its foreign trade bloomed. Again, Germany, which was regarded as a potential superpower hardly 2-3 years ago, is today threatened with 'de-industrialisation' after being forced by the Biden administration to abandon the Nord Stream gas pipelines built by Russians.

The time has come to start thinking in a more reasonable way. Climbing up the greasy pole of international politics is no picnic. And make no mistake that the West is determined to preserve its four-century old dominance. When it comes to India, in particular, they will never allow "another China" to emerge in Asia. Herein lies India's predicament. Today's happenings were foreseen by the great visionary Russian strategic thinker Yevvgeny Primakov in the 1990s, when he proposed a Russia-India-China alliance.

(Views are personal)

The US has a history of clipping the wings of even its close allies when they become too big. It's unlikely to support the rise of a second superpower in Asia

INDIA'S EPISODIC DIPLOMACY IGNORES THE BIG PICTURE

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THE CHANGING POLITICS OF ASPIRATION IN DIGITAL AGE

WHILE mapping Indian political shifts, it helps to watch the intersection of three matrices—aspiration and anxieties, digital and local, and cultural and material. The binding thread in this maze is the country's youth, the anchor of the political shift.

Factor this: 66 percent of India's population is under the age of 35, which combines the bulk of millennials and Gen Z born in the post-Mandal and post-socialistic era. Then consider that 98 percent of the millennial and Gen Z cohorts are active smartphone users who watch mobile videos every day. Keep in mind that internet data consumption is increasing even in rural India. This mix of factors informs the digital citizenry that is in search of a relatable anchor. Thus, while caste, community and ethnic identities matter among young people, their aspirations are mediated more through the prism of material politics, which is beyond the discourses of government jobs and reservations.

Political parties wanting to attract these votes focus on three factors: the ability to reach out to millennials and Gen-Z, speak a language of aspirational politics that resonates with the majority of these cohorts, and project leaders who are relatable across spatial and communitarian divides. It would be interesting to see the relative location of the two big national parties, the BJP and Congress, on this.

For the Congress, while their national organisational and leadership profile is much weaker than BJP, their social media presence has reasonable parity against the ruling party. This is visible from the fact that even when BJP wins elections, it often struggles to maintain a lead in narrative wars—as was evident during the farmers' protest and the Manipur violence.

What explains this seeming parity in narratives despite the organisational gap? Therein lies the generational vantage point. According to Vaibhav Walia, communications lead in the Congress war room for 2024 polls, the party recently invested a lot in identifying and recruiting digital volunteers. The drive started during the Bharat Jodo and Bharat Jodo Nyay yatras, where a number was provided for interested young people to give a missed call. Having received around 3 lakh calls, the party followed up and designated the selected ones as Nyay Yoddhas. The list was expanded from the list of donors who were approached and assigned responsibility.

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The party now organises weekly video calls with them, whose narratives are synchronised. Since these volunteers do not have an institutional stake in the party, Walia claims they work spiritedly if they like an assigned narrative. It helps that the median age of these Yoddhas is 28.

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> Parties wanting to attract young voters focus on targeted outreach, language of communication, and relatability of leaders. Though the Congress has made recent strides in social media outreach, misreading the changing youth aspirations may be costing it votes

However, this social media parity doesn't easily translate into votes for the Congress for two main reasons. One, unlike the BJP, the Congress is speaking the aspirational language of the pre-reform era in which discourses on reservation and demands like caste census capture the headline. The ground has shifted. A majority of millennials and Gen Z do not get enthused with these narratives. Two, on the relatability of leaders, the gap between the BJP and Congress is huge. Thus, even otherwise popular Congress narratives do not cut ice with intended voters, as was the case during the assembly elections in Rajasthan, Madhya Pradesh and Chhattisgarh, three states dominated by OBCs, where the caste census issue had few takers.

What has changed on the ground is the aspirational mode of new generations, as some recent study visits revealed. For instance, young tribal men and women in the Northeast speak a language of their ethnic identity, but are enthusiastically becoming a part of India's developmental story. The careerist aspiration of settling in metropolitan cities is ubiquitous. Similarly, large sections of the Pondra-Khatri Dalits of Sundarban, Rajbangshi and Bagdi in the northern and western part of Bengal seem fascinated with Modi and the BJP, as they find the party and leader more relatable. The same pattern is visible in young people among the so-called tea tribes of Assam and children of refugees settled generations ago in Dandakaranya across Odisha, Chhattisgarh and Maharashtra. Their aspiration of upward mobility is about corporate jobs and petty entrepreneurships; the discourse on reservation is marginal.

Ground reports reveal that the old grammar of politics that the Congress adopts is being peddled by a few caste or community leaders, whose aggressive assertion is leading to a counter mobilisation of the others. For instance, the anchors championing the discourse of reservation beyond the cap of 50 percent and pitch for a wider caste census are emerging mainly among leaders hailing from castes such as the Yadavs in Bihar and Uttar Pradesh, and Marathas in Maharashtra. Similarly, the assertive farmers' protest and demand for guaranteed support prices are seen by several communities in Haryana and western Uttar Pradesh as a ploy by the Jats to recapture power by hiding their caste identity behind the occupational one. Among these communities, the youth aspire to move beyond a pure farmer-centric identity.

We are witnessing a new wave of democracy where the grammar and language of politics has changed. This is aspirational India where anachronistic discourse of a pre-1990 era will alienate the majority, the spirited team of social media volunteers notwithstanding. In this backdrop, the BJP and the Congress are diametrically apart—the former is posturing a futuristic vision, the latter is looking back.

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Blind negligence

Ref: *Young, restless & jobless in the most populous country* (Apr 24). The gargantuan unemployment problem in India continues to be a major socio-economic issue that is yet to attract the due attention of both state and Union governments. This blind negligence would certainly lead to many social crises.
S Iyyampillai, Tiruchirapalli

Vocational training

To tackle youth unemployment in India, we must prioritise investment in vocational training programmes. Simultaneously, we must encourage entrepreneurship by facilitating easier access to funding and resources. We also need to promote sectors with high potential for job creation, such as technology and healthcare.
Narayanan Kizhumundayur, Thrissur

Aping West

The unemployment situation started because of fast urbanisation. People left their villages and traditional jobs. They started aping western styles of education and wanted to work in urban centres. Do we need so many PhDs in our country?
Anantharaman Subramanian, Chennai

Unopposed win

The BJP has won Surat's Lok Sabha seat unopposed and electoral democracy has bitten the dust. Congress candidate Nilesh Kumbhani lost due to the 'rejection' of his nomination because of a signature mismatch. An unbiased thorough enquiry is needed to restore the people's faith in our electoral democracy.
Buddha Jagdish Rao, Visakhapatnam

Bizarre conclusions

Ref: *Cong plans to cut Dalit quota, give it to Muslims: PM Modi* (Apr 24). The dissection of the Congress election manifesto by the BJP leadership and coming to its own bizarre conclusions is nothing but an election gimmick to polarise the electorate. This is appeasement politics at its worst. It is time for the common man to be sagacious and vote for the party that can solve real problems.
Biju C Mathew, Thiruvananthapuram

Order timing

The Calcutta High Court cancelled a large number of teacher appointments because bribes had been offered to secure the jobs. The verdict has lent hope to school job aspirants that they would get appointed in future in a fair manner. It has also given a much needed shot in the arm to the BJP. As the judgement was pronounced in the middle of the campaign, the question is if it breaches the Model Code of Conduct.
Rajamani Chelladurai, Tirunelveli

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POSTS OF THE DAY

P. Chidambaram @PChidambaram_IN
I am disappointed that a sober politician like Rajnath Singh should speak falsehoods. Was he reading a document written by ghosts in invisible ink?

Pawan Khera @Pawankhera
Has he said that the Congress will bring this policy? Is discussing & debating different ideas not allowed in this ancient land of Shastrarth?

Akhilesh Yadav @yadavakhilesh
The way the city of fragrance is leading the BJP to defeat as a response to positive politics, will be known in history as 'Kannauj-kranti'.

Will HC order on teacher job scam have an impact?

3 seats — Darjeeling, Balurghat & Raiganj — go to polls in 2nd phase

SULAGNA SENGUPTA @ Kolkata

THE second phase of the Lok Sabha polls in West Bengal due April 26 comes on the heels of the Calcutta High Court order on the teacher recruitment scam which declared the appointment of over 24,000 teachers illegal. Three constituencies — Darjeeling, Balurghat and Raiganj — have a sizeable number of such candidates.

Among the three, Darjeeling will witness the most interesting contest: a veritable BJP versus BJP. BJP MP Raju Bista is pitted against Kurseong party MLA Bishnu Prasad Sharma who is contesting as an independent.

In 2009, BJP's Jaswant Singh won the Lok Sabha election, backed by Bimal Gurung and the Gorkha Janmukti Morcha, riding the Gorkhaland wave. This was the lone seat that the BJP won in West Bengal. Since then the Darjeeling Lok Sabha seat has been in the BJP grip with the party promising to resolve the Gorkha impasse.

S S Ahluwalia won the seat in 2014 followed by Raju Bista in 2019. BJP MLA from Kurseong BP Sharma revolted against the party and is contesting as an Independent candidate this LS election from Darjeeling.

TMC's Gopal Lama will be contesting against Raju Bista. Gopal Lama, 70, is a retired civil servant and leader of the Bhartiya Gorkha Prajatantrik Morcha (BGPM). A TMC candidate from Darjeeling, Lama served as OSD in the Gorkhaland Territorial Administration (GTA) until 2017 after retiring in 2014.

The key issues plaguing Darjeeling include separate statehood for Gorkhaland, tea workers' issues and pollution. For many years, the push for a separate state of Gorkhaland has been a significant issue. In 2017, tensions escalated with a violent 100-day protest that resulted in 11 fatalities. Since 2009, BJP has consistently won Darjeeling with the backing from the hills, pledging a lasting solution to the region's problems.

"The people of north Bengal do not want to listen to Mamata Banerjee's promises anymore. The more she comes here, the more her party will lose the votes. The TMC is knee-deep in corruption. Their ally in the hills, the BGPM, also indulged in corruption while running the GTA," said BJP's Bista.

In Balurghat, the TMC has intensified its efforts to get hold of the seat which it lost in 2019. BJP Sukanta Majumder is trying to woo people with the railway projects that the Union government has planned for the constituency.

The TMC has fielded cabinet minister Biplab Mitra to wrest the seat. PM Modi, Union Home Minister Amit Shah, Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee and Trinamool national general secretary Abhishek Banerjee have addressed public rallies in Balurghat, indicating the importance of the seat.

In Raigunj, the battle in 2019 went the BJP way. Debasree Chaudhuri won it by over 60,000 votes. However, this time the party has fielded her from the Kolkata Dakshin seat and given the ticket for Raiganj to Kartick Paul, a greenhorn in electoral politics. In a four-cornered contest between the BJP, Trinamool Congress, Left Front, and the Congress in 2014, CPM's Md Salim, who is the current state secretary and a politburo member of the party, was elected by a thin margin of 1,500 votes.

In 2009, Congress and TMC shared seats against the Left Front and the BJP. Congress' Deepa Dasmunsi won the seat by over one lakh votes.

Two factors can brighten up the BJP's poll prospects. After winning the seat in 2019, the BJP also performed commendably in the 2021 assembly elections, winning four of the 7 seats. The remaining went to the ruling Trinamool Congress.

Another factor that might help the BJP is the Trinamool's choice of candidate. Krishna Kalyani, the party candidate, switched sides after the Assembly elections in 2021. In its campaigns, the BJP questions the political morality of Kalyani for contesting as a Trinamool candidate while keeping his BJP MLA status intact. The Congress has fielded Ali Imran Ramz a.k.a. Victor, a comparatively young face.

DECODE LS POLLS '24 DECIDE

TEST OF SAFFRON STRENGTH IN N BENGAL

DARJEELING
COMPRISES 6 ASSEMBLY CONSTITUENCIES
TOTAL VOTERS 16,11,317
MALE 8,17,687 FEMALE 7,93,609
3RD GENDER: 21
2019 VERDICT
Winner: Raju Bista (BJP)
Votes polled 750,067 | %age of votes 59.19
Loser: Amar Singh Rai (AITC)
Votes polled 3,36,624 | %age of votes 26.56
2024
Raju Bista: **BJP**
Gopal Lama: **Trinamool Congress**
Munish Tamang: **Congress**

DARJEELING FACTS
- Congress and CPM dominated it until 1980s.
- Gorkhaland movement in 80s gave birth to regional parties like the GNLF,
- Since 2009, BJP secured 3 consecutive wins, primarily due Bimal Gurung, leader of GJM faction
- Gorkhaland demand is the most significant factor, shaping alliances
- 'Son of the soil' narrative gains traction, with voters preferring local candidates

BALURGHAT ISSUES
- Was a stronghold of Left Front constituent RSP, which won the seat consecutively from 1984 till 2009
- For the BJP, winning Balurghat is a matter of prestige, since its state president is the candidate
- Improving railway connectivity
- Corruption, lawlessness and the ruling party's indecisiveness to act against criminal elements
- Welfare of SC/ST women

BALURGHAT
COMPRISES 7 ASSEMBLY SEGMENTS
TOTAL VOTERS 12,54,497
MALE 6,53,841 FEMALE 6,00,646
3RD GENDER: 18
2019 VERDICT
Winner: Sukanta Majumdar (BJP)
Votes polled 539,317 | %age of votes 45.2
Loser: Arpita Ghosh (AITC)
%age of votes 42.24
2024
Sukanta Majumdar: **BJP**
Biplab Mitra: **Trinamool Congress**

RAIGUNJ
COMPRISES 7 ASSEMBLY SEGMENTS
2019 ● **Winner:** Debashree Chaudhuri (BJP) — Votes polled 511,652 | %age of votes 40.08
2024 ● **Loser:** Kanaia Lal Agarwal — Votes polled 4,51,078 | %age of votes 35.32
- Kartik Pal: BJP
- Ali Imran Ramz (Victor): Congress
- Krishna Kalyani: Trinamool Congress

KEY FACTS
- It shares border with Bihar and Bangladesh and was a Congress bastion until 1991
- The Rajbonshis comprise a large part of the Hindu vote and lean heavily towards the BJP

SC reserves order on VVPAT cross-verification petitions

SUCHITRA KALYAN MOHANTY @ New Delhi

THE Supreme Court on Wednesday reserved its verdict on a batch of petitions seeking direction to the Election Commission of India (ECI) and the Centre to ensure that voters are able to verify through VVPATs that their vote has been "counted as recorded".

A two-judge bench of Justices Sanjiv Khanna and Dipankar Dutta reserved the verdict after hearing extensively from the petitioners, the poll body and other respective parties.

The bench, however, observed that it does not any have authority over the conduct of the elections. Earlier in the day, when the hearing started, the SC sought some clarity from the ECI on the issue of control unit, storage of EVMS. Post lunch, the ECI informed the court that the flash memory of the microcontrollers in EVMs cannot be reprogrammed.

Advocate Prashant Bhushan appearing for one of the petitioners, argued that the flash memory of Micro Control Units can be reprogrammed. When the ECI conveyed this to the ECI officer, he clarified that it was wrong to say that the Micro Control Units can be reprogrammed.

He said that all the machines are stored in a strong room for 45 days. The control unit stores the polling data so it is sealed. During commissioning, all three units are also sealed with a pink seal. VVPAT is also sealed and signature is taken from all polling agents.

The court also told the petitioners that the report they all were relying on said that there is no incident of hacking yet. "We are not the controlling authority of another constitutional authority. We cannot control the elections," it said.

It also stated that what best could be done to ensure safeguard and strengthen the current system of EVM system, would be done, since going back to ballot paper was out of question. Asserting that the EVMs are standalone machines that cannot be tampered with, the ECI officer said, "The VVPATs could also not be tampered with."

ALSO IN TOP COURT

Soren moves top court against ED arrest

Former Jharkhand CM Hemant Soren moved the Supreme Court, saying the high court is not pronouncing verdict on his plea challenging arrest by the ED in a money laundering case. A bench of Justices Sanjiv Khanna and Dipankar Datta was told by senior advocate Kapil Sibal that the HC had reserved its verdict on February 28 on his plea but still no decision has been delivered.

Bengal plea against HC order on teachers' job

The West Bengal government moved the Supreme Court against the Calcutta High Court order invalidating the appointment of 25,753 teachers and non-teaching staff made by the state's School Service Commission (SSC) in state-run and state-aided schools. The state government, in its appeal, said the HC cancelled the appointments "arbitrarily".

Cong says no inheritance tax plans, rather former BJP minister endorsed it

PREETHA NAIR @ New Delhi

THE Congress on Wednesday hit out at PM Narendra Modi over his barbs on Congress leader Sam Pitroda's remarks on inheritance tax and asserted that it has no plans to introduce such a tax.

The party also cited former Union minister Jayant Sinha's endorsement of inheritance tax to allege that it was the Modi government that wanted to do so.

Citing a statement by Pitroda, president of the Indian Overseas Congress, Modi said the Congress intends to snatch the assets and rights of Indians. Pitroda has talked about the inheritance tax law in the United States while answering a query on the "redistribution of wealth" issue.

In a post on X, Congress general secretary in charge of communications Jairam Ramesh said the Congress has no plan to introduce an inheritance tax. Former prime minister Rajiv Gandhi had abolished Estate Duty in 1985, he said, adding that it is the Modi government that has wanted to do so. He said, "Fact One: Jayant Sinha, then Minister of State for Finance, stated that he wanted to introduce Inheritance Tax in 2014. Fact Two: In 2017, reports emerged that the Modi Sarkar was going to re-introduce inheritance tax. Fact Three: In 2018, Finance Minister Arun Jaitley praised Inheritance Taxes for spurring large endowments to hospitals, and universities in the West. Fact Four: News reports emerged that Modi Sarkar would introduce an Inheritance Tax in Union Budget 2019," Ramesh said. "Over to you PM Modi – what is your party's stance on this issue?" he said and shared media reports on Jayant Sinha and Jaitley's remarks "in favour" of an inheritance tax.

Pitroda wrote on X, "Who said 55% will be taken away? Who said something like this should be done in India? Why is BJP and the media in panic? I mentioned US inheritance tax only as an example in my normal conversation on TV. Can I not mention facts?"

'Social injustice'

BJP leaders slammed the state govt for its alleged proposal to include Muslims as backward caste for reservation, and called it "social injustice". Siddaramaiah called the PM's statement on reservation an irresponsible statement.

Wrong to say Cong taking away OBC quota & giving it to Muslims: K'taka CM

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Bengaluru

SLAMMING PM Narendra Modi and the BJP, Karnataka CM **Siddaramaiah** said that they (BJP) feared losing the elections and that is why they are spreading lies saying Congress is snatching the reservation given to Backward class and Dalits and giving it to the Muslims. "No Prime Minister in our country has taken the (PM's) post so low," he said.

Addressing a rally in Madhya Pradesh, Modi had said on Wednesday that Congress had given reservation based on religion in Karnataka through the backdoor by putting all Muslim castes along with the OBCs.

BJP leaders in Karnataka, too, slammed the state government for its alleged proposal to include Muslims as backward caste for reservation, and called it "social injustice" to 36 castes who are in backward class at present.

Reacting to Modi's statements, Siddaramaiah said that this was an irresponsible statement by a person holding such a responsible post. "The PM should prove it, or else he has to apologise before the people of the nation," he said.

He questioned Modi on where the Congress had said they were going to snatch the rights of SC/ST and give them to the Muslims.

The CM also slammed the previous BJP government in Karnataka, which made an attempt to take 4% reservation of the Muslims to Vokkaligas and Lingayats.

He said one cannot change reservations that have been granted constitutionally as per their whims and fancies.

I've embraced Indian thought, says Dalai Lama

YESHI SELI @ Dharamsala

HIS Holiness the 14th Dalai Lama has been living in India for over six decades now and says that he is a follower of the Nalanda tradition.

"Most of my life I have spent in India. Even though physically my body is Tibetan, mentally I have been nourished by the Nalanda tradition, which is a thousand years old. I am a Nalanda practitioner - which is an Indian tradition - and I have embraced Indian thought," HH Dalai Lama told this newspaper.

Speculation is rife on whether HH will announce his successor on his 90th birthday, which will be on July 6th, 2025. However, for now, that day is going to be observed as International Peace Day.

There are close to 83,000 Tibetan refugees between India and Nepal (nearly 73,000 live in India now). However, after the Galwan clashes, the inflow of Tibetan refugees to India has trickled down to less than 100 a year. There are nearly 1.4 lakh Tibetans living in exile across the world. Tibetans in exile have been engaged in back-channel talks with the Chinese during the past two years. "We have back-channel communication with the Chinese, but we have no immediate expectations in the short term," Penpa Tsering, political leader and head of the Central Tibetan Administration also known as Sikyong, told this newspaper.

Tibetans in exile engaged in back-channel talks

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Between 2002 and 2010, nine rounds of talks were held between the Tibetans in exile and China, but there was no outcome.

Tibetans in China are being repressed, especially those who have families in exile, according to CTA, who also allege that China spreads disinformation. Transnational repression is being extensively followed by China, causing fear among everyone. "In China, everyone is literally reduced to a barcode, and every move and transaction is monitored. Families of refugees become natural suspects. Tibetan children are forcibly taken to study in Chinese boarding schools," according to CTA. Among all the countries globally that are supporting Tibetans in exile, the US is the most vocal and pronounced. They have even issued reciprocal rights for Tibetans to travel to China with the Chinese government. "We follow the Middle Path and have been advocating the Tibet issue internationally," said Norzin Dolma, Minister, CTA.

A Tibetan refugee, currently living in Nepal, says that nearly all Tibetan refugees in Nepal are being monitored and are under surveillance due to the increasing influence of China on Nepal. "We are scared to talk or communicate freely, as Chinese officials spring up from literally anywhere in Nepal," a Tibetan refugee from Nepal told this newspaper.

While Tibetans in exile haven't given up dreaming of regaining lost ground, the realities as of now in Tibet are challenging and harsh for the six million Tibetans living there.

MHA unit for real-time mitigation of online fraud, banks to link database

MUKESH RANJAN @ New Delhi

THE Ministry of Home Affairs is working on forming a new wing called Cyber Fraud Mitigation Centre under the Indian Cyber Crime Coordination Centre (I4C) to deal with cyber financial fraud in real-time to save the victim's money, sources said on Wednesday.

Terming the move a real game-changer, the sources said that the FMC will onboard all the agencies dealing with such crimes, including the government, banks, telecom service providers, IT intermediaries and social media companies, who so far till now have been working from different locations and in silos.

The interaction among them mostly takes place through an electronic medium that leads to time lag in processing a complaint to counter and retrieve financial fraud or transactions, they added.

A source, while confirming that the move is part of the 100 days agenda of the MHA for the new government, said, "To prevent and mitigate an online financial fraud in real time, there has been a realisation in the government to work out a seamless synergy among organisations like banks and financial institutions, telecom service providers, IT intermediaries, and social media platforms."

As there is a requirement of linking bank databases and deputing their representatives with the CFMC, not all banks have agreed so far, but major ones have agreed to deploy their representatives, the sources said.

"Almost two dozen representatives of major banks, five telecom service providers, two representatives of the Haryana police, and two from the Delhi police have already been positioned at CFMC for near real-time coordination to stop cyber-enabled fraud," a source said.

Currently, the Citizen Financial Cyber Frauds Reporting and Management System (CFCFRMS) has been developed by the Indian Cyber Crime Coordination Centre (I4C) as part of the National Cybercrime Reporting Portal (NCRP) by integrating law enforcement agencies, major banks and financial intermediaries, they said, adding that the system is able to take instant action on complaints of financial cyber fraud reported by citizens to prevent the flow of money from the victim's account to the fraudster's account and to share online fraud-related information in near real-time.

The sources said that a national cyber crime helpline number '1930' has been operationalised to report any financial cyber fraud case.

INDIA	Max	Min		Max	Min
Ahmedabad	40	27	Mumbai	34	27
Bhopal	39	25	Panaji	24	13
Jaipur	39	26	Patna	42	26
Amritsar	37	22	Lucknow	40	25
Chennai	36	29	Port Blair	34	27
Kolkata	40	29	Imphal	33	16
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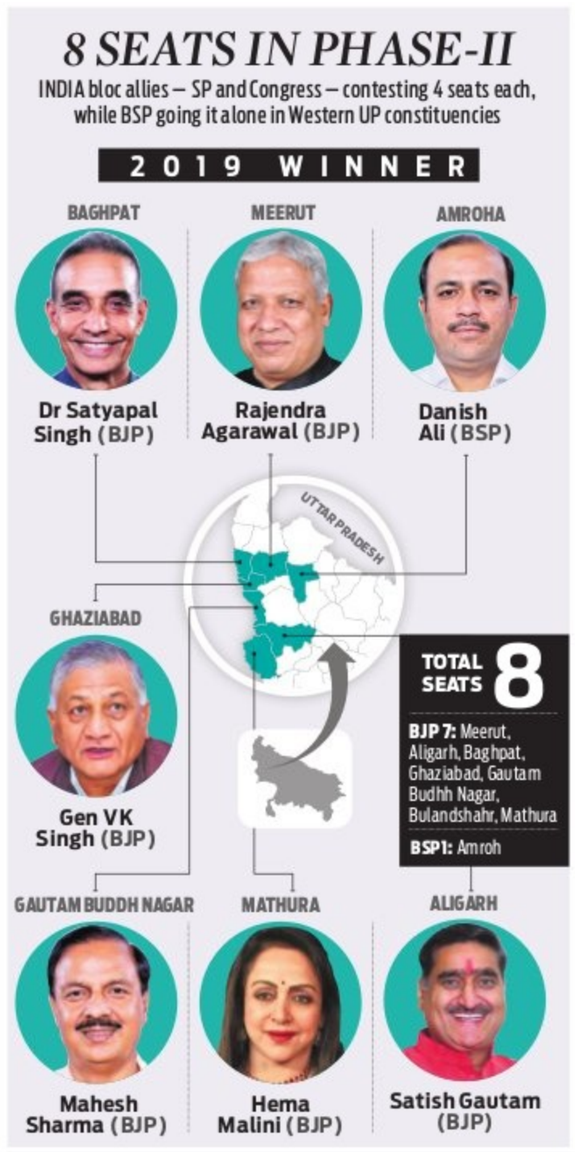
RLD ONBOARD, BJP LOOKS FOR DOMINANCE



NAMITA BAJPAI @ Lucknow

HAVING acquired more political muscle through Jat support by taking Jayant Chaudhury-led RLD onboard, the BJP is aiming for a dominance on the eight seats — Amroha, Meerut, Baghpat, Ghaziabad, Gautam Buddha Nagar, Bulandshahr, Aligarh and Mathura — set to vote on April 26, while the Opposition bloc is ready to put a stiff fight.

In the 2019 Lok Sabha polls, the BJP, while facing the challenge from SP-BSP-RLD grand alliance, won seven of these seats. Only Amroha was won by the alliance.

In 2024, the BJP has reworked its strategy by allying with the RLD and allotting the Baghpat seat to the party that has Jats as its core support base.

To regain lost ground, the SP has tied up with the Congress. The BSP is going it alone. In this phase, both SP and Congress are contesting on four seats each as per their seat-sharing arrangement. While the SP has fielded candidates in Meerut, Baghpat, Gautam Buddha Nagar and Aligarh, Congress will contest in Ghaziabad, Mathura, Amroha and Bulandshahr.

The fate of former Union minister Mahesh Sharma, who is seeking a third term on the BJP ticket from Gautam Budh Nagar, Ramayan fame actor Arun Govil in Meerut and actress Hema Malini, who is seeking a hat-trick from Mathura, will be decided in this phase.

Former Mumbai Police commissioner Satya Pal Singh is not in the fray this time. He had defeated RLD chief Ajit Singh in Baghpat in 2014 and Jayant Chaudhary in 2019. BJP has allotted Baghpat to the RLD and Dr Rajkumar Sangwan has been fielded as NDA candidate.

Amroha is set to witness a contest among Congress's Danish Ali, BJP's Kanwar Singh Tanwar, and BSP's Dr Mujahid Hussain. The BSP suspended Ali, who was its MP from Amroha, last year for "anti-party" activities and he joined the Congress.

The BJP stronghold Meerut will witness a three-way fight among BJP's Arun Govil, SP's Sunita Verma and BSP's Devvrat Kumar Tyagi. In Meerut, the S P has fielded dalit candidate Sunita Verma replacing OBC aspirant Atul Pradhan. The BJP won the seat in 1996, losing it to Congress in 1999 and BSP in 2004. BJP's Rajendra Agrawal, who has been denied the ticket this time, won the Meerut seat in 2009, 2014 and 2019. The BJP has replaced Agarwal with Govil.

Baghpat, an RLD bastion, is in for a three-cornered contest among RLD's Rajkumar Sangwan, SP's Amarpal Sharma and BSP's Praveen Baisala. Former PM Chaudhary Charan Singh had won the seat thrice in 1977, 1980 and 1984. His son Ajit Singh won it in 1989, 1991, 1996, 1999, 2004 and 2009. However, BJP candidate Sompal won the seat in 1998.

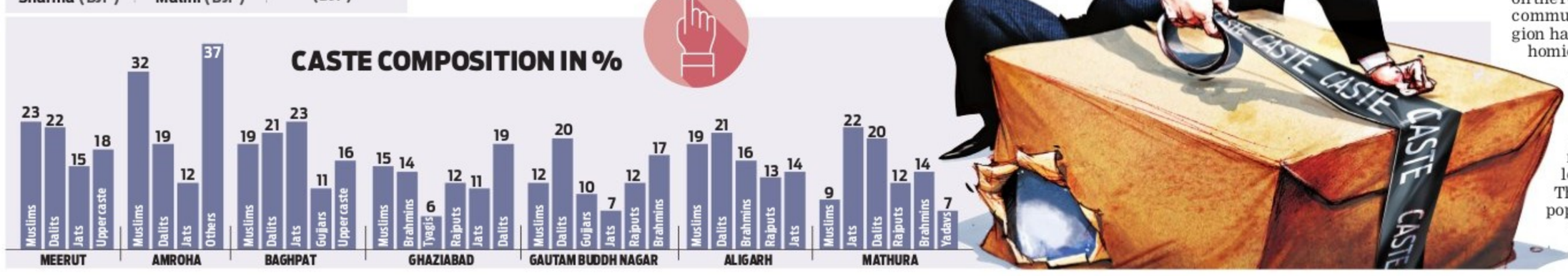
A BJP bastion since it came into existence in 2008, the Ghaziabad seat is set for a fight between BJP's Atul Garg, Congress's Dolly Sharma and BSP's Nandkishor Pundhir. The BJP is banking on the popularity of Garg to retain the seat, while BSP plans to cash in on anger among Rajputs in rural areas over denial of ticket to two-time BJP MP and Union minister General (retd) VK Singh. The Congress is working on the Brahmin-Muslim formula.

In Gautam Budhh Nagar, Mahesh Sharma, who was elected to the Lok Sabha in 2014 and 2019, is seeking a third term as the BJP candidate. He is facing the SP's Rahul Awana, a Gujjar leader, and BSP's Rajendra Singh Solanki, a Rajput.

The Bulandshahr reserved seat is all set for a contest among BJP's Bhola Singh, who won the seat in 2014 and 2019, BSP's Girish Chandra, MP from Nagina, and Congress's Shiv Ram Valmiki.

In Aligarh, BJP's Satish Gautam (Brahmin), who won the seat in 2014 and 2019, is in the fray for a third term. The BSP has fielded a Brahmin candidate, Hitendra Kumar aka Bunty Upadhyay, a former BJP leader. The SP has nominated Bijendra Singh.

In Mathura, two-time BJP MP Hema Malini is seeking a third term. She is pitted against Mukesh Dhangar of Congress and Suresh Singh of BSP. The Congress was earlier planning to field boxer Vijendra Singh in Mathura but he joined BJP.


CASTE COMPOSITION IN %
MEERUT: Muslims 23, Dalits 22, Jats 15, Upper caste 18
AMROHA: Muslims 32, Dalits 19, Jats 12, Others 37
BAGHPAT: Muslims 19, Dalits 21, Jats 23, Gujjars 11, Upper caste 16
GHAZIABAD: Muslims 15, Brahmins 14, Tyagis 6, Rajputs 12, Jats 11, Dalits 19
GAUTAM BUDDH NAGAR: Muslims 12, Dalits 20, Gujjars 10, Jats 7, Rajputs 12, Brahmins 17
ALIGARH: Muslims 19, Dalits 21, Brahmins 16, Rajputs 13, Jats 14
MATHURA: Muslims 9, Jats 22, Dalits 20, Rajputs 12, Brahmins 14, Yadavs 7

Litmus test for Jayant crossover to NDA in Jat politics heartland

PREETHA NAIR @ Baghpat

ALONG the narrow lanes of Baghpat's Chhaprauli Dehat village, the smiling photographs of former PM Chaudhary Charan Singh and his grandson Jayant Chaudhary don the walls of many houses. It is not an uncommon sight in the land of Jat politics and home to Charan Singh's family. The peasant leader, who was recently conferred with Bharat Ratna, represented Baghpat in the Lok Sabha thrice. While his son Ajit Singh won the Baghpat seat seven times, his grandson Jayant Chaudhary lost the seat to BJP's Satyapal Singh in the 2019 Lok Sabha elections.

UTTAR PRADESH

Political equations have, however, changed with Jayant Chowdhury's RLD joining the NDA camp. As Baghpat goes to polls on April 26, it will be an acid test for Jayant who stitched an alliance with the BJP ahead of polls. In the three-cornered contest, RLD's Raj Kumar Sagwan, SP's Amarpal Sharma, and BSP's Praveen Bansal are in the fray. Interestingly, it is the first time since 1977 that RLD fielded a candidate from outside the Chaudhary clan in Baghpat.

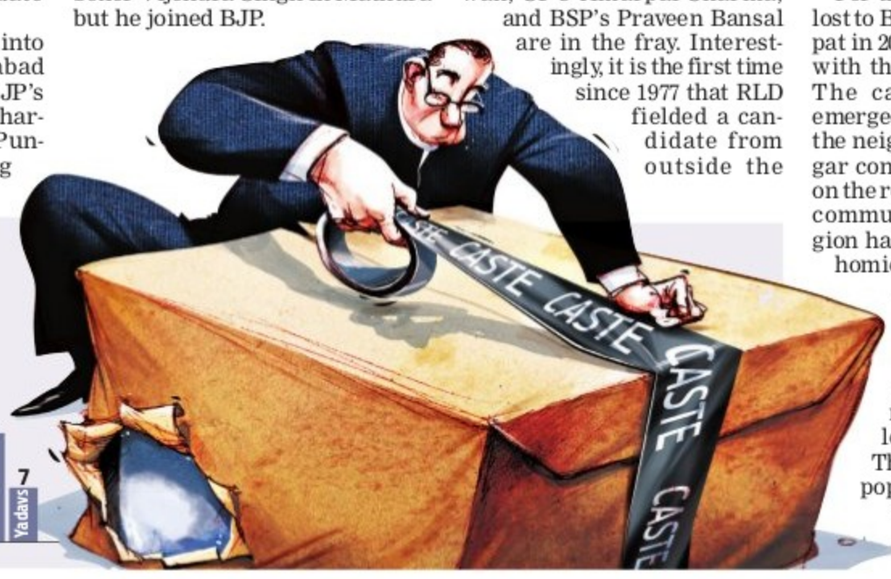
Jayant's cross over to the BJP camp amid seat-sharing talks with INDIA ally SP dealt a rude shock for the opposition bloc.

The jury is still out on Jayant's move, says Lokesh Tyagi, a Jat farmer in Pali village.

Jaikishan Singh, an ardent supporter of the RLD, differs. "Chowdhury Charan saab brought glory to our village. I don't think the Modi government gave him the award to get RLD on their side. My family has been voting for the Chaudhary family for generations. Jayant will carry forward his grandfather's legacy," he says.

It is a common refrain echoed by most of the Jat community in the sugar belt. The alliance will reap benefits for NDA, says BJP supporter Kishen Lal Saini, pointing out that the Jats were divided between the BJP and the RLD earlier. "Most Jats were unhappy with the RlD's alliance with the SP. The BJP is the natural ally of RLD. Akhilesh's party is only for Muslims," says Saini.

For the same reason, Jayant lost to BJP's candidate in Baghpat in 2019 when he had tied up with the SP and BSP, he says. The caste fault-lines that emerged after the 2013 riots in the neighbouring Muzaffarnagar continue to cast a shadow on the relationship between the communities. Though the region has seen a revival of bonhomie between Muslims and Jats after the farmers' stir in 2019, Jayant's migration to the BJP is a blow to the unity efforts initiated by many, including farmer leader Rakesh Tikait. Though the dominant Jat population will hold sway, Baghpat has a significant Muslim population, too.



Jailed Amritpal, slain singer's father may enter election arena

HARPREET BAJWA @ Chandigarh

WARIS Punjab De head and pro-Khalistani preacher Amritpal Singh, currently lodged at Dibrugarh jail in Assam under the stringent National Security Act, is likely to contest elections from the Khadoor Sahib Lok Sabha seat.

The speculation is equally strong about Balkaur Singh, the father of Punjabi singer Sidhu Moosewala, who may contest the polls from Bathinda.

Amritpal Singh & Balkaur Singh

Rajdev Singh Khalsa, the lawyer of Amritpal Singh, today met him in the jail, told this newspaper over the phone that he (Khalsa) requested him to contest the polls from Khadoor Sahib as it would amount to a referendum on whether his arrested by the AAP-led Mann government was right. "He told me that he would contest," said Khalsa, adding the jailed preacher could file his papers once the process begins.

Sources said a mainstream political party is considering support the preacher. Meanwhile, Tarsem Singh, father of Amritpal Singh said he would meet him on Thursday at Dibrugarh jail after a long time. "We didn't discuss the polls. We are not in favor of his contesting the election. We need to first meet him," said Tarsem.

On the other hand, Balkaur Singh, the father of slain singer-turned-politician Sidhu Moosewala, is likely to contest the polls as an independent from Bathinda. However, the family has not yet come out with any formal statement.

LOOSE TALK

What defines Gujarat poll narrative? Slip of tongue

DILIP SINGH KSHATRIYA @ Ahmedabad

THE BJP sprang to damage control in Gujarat after statements of its two leaders triggered controversies.

Addressing party workers in Visavadar constituency a few days ago, BJP leader Bhupat Bhayani, a former AAP MLA who switched to the saffron party, said, "Rahul Gandhi is 'impotent', and we should not give country's reins to him."

After the statement sparked an outcry, Bhayani defending his statement told the media, "In democracy, everyone has a right to express one's views. I never intended to insult or humiliate anyone. I was only trying to draw a line between PM Narendra Modi and Congress leader Rahul Gandhi. There is no comparison between Modi and Rahul."

The Congress said such statements show BJP leaders' culture. "Former MLA Bhayani who was caught with a girl in a hotel can only make such low-level statements," Congress spokesman Hemang Raval said, advising Bhayani to consult a neurosurgeon.

BJP Junagadh district president Kirit Patel made remarks that hurt the sentiments of Kshatriya community. "Even if a queen gives birth to a specially abled child, he will inherit power and rule the state; now kings and queens are born from the ballot box."

The statement irked the Kshatriya community, which is already sore over BJP leader and Rajkot candidate Parshottam Rupala. The community has been agitating against the Rupala. They demanded that the BJP drop Rupala as its Rajkot candidate.

Condemning the statement, Kshatriya Community Coordination Committee convener Karansinh Chavda said, "BJP has failed to stop its leaders from making derogatory remarks against the Kshatriya community, so the community has decided to not vote for BJP candidates. It failed to respect the community's demand and drop Rupala as party candidate. Now we will aggressively campaign against the ruling party."

Facing flak, Kirit Patel released a video apologising to the Kshatriyas. Minister of state of home Harsh Sanghvi and BJP's general secretary (organisation) Ratnakar are holding district-wise meetings with Kshatriya leaders in a damage control exercise.

BJP intimidating people, alleges Guj Cong chief

Gujarat Congress president Shaktisinh Gohil on Wednesday alleged that the BJP was intimidating voters and asking them to either vote in its favour or refrain from voting in the Lok Sabha elections. The ruling party in the state was misusing the government machinery to pressure the voters, he claimed. The opposition party also released a phone number for voters to share the evidence, if any. "It is a fundamental principle of democracy that the sacred festival of elections should be held neutrally without fear or bias," Gohil said.

UTTAR PRADESH

After house for Rahul, Vadra posters don Amethi landscape

'Who took mangalsutra of soldiers' wives away?'

Samajwadi Party leader Dimple Yadav on Wednesday said the BJP should answer "who snatched the Mangalsutra of wives of soldiers" killed in Pulwama. She was referring to Modi's allegations at an election rally that if the Congress came to power, it would redistribute the wealth of people to Muslims. "Those who talk of the Mangalsutra should also talk about the Pulwama incident. Our soldiers were martyred and the mangalsutra of their wives were snatched from them," Yadav said at a rally in support of SP candidate Annu Tandon.

NAMITA BAJPAI @ Amethi

WHILE the ongoing suspense over the Congress's candidate for Amethi persists, posters seeking the candidature of Robert Vadra, husband of AICC general secretary Priyanka Gandhi Vadra, have cropped up outside the local offices of Congress in Amethi and Gauriganj, here on Wednesday.

The posters, reading: "Amethi ki janta kare pukar, Robert Vadra ab ki baar" (the people of Amethi want Robert Vadra this time), can be seen at the local offices of the Congress party in Amethi. Notably, the posters have come up just two days ahead of the commencement of the nomination period for the fifth phase, under which Amethi will vote on May 20. The nomination filing for the seat will start on April 26.

According to Congress insiders, the party would make any official announcement regarding the candidates for Amethi and Rae Bareli, both bastions of the Gandhi family, after the second phase of voting on April 26, when Wayanad, the seat from where Rahul Gandhi is in the fray, would vote. The last day for filing nominations for the fifth phase is May 3. While the BJP has announced sitting MP and Union Minister Smriti Irani as its candidate, the Congress is yet to name its pick.

Interestingly, Vadra has been quite vocal in seeking to contest from Amethi this time, stating that people there want him to represent them. He claims that voters feel that if he were to contest from Amethi, they would have the option of correcting their mistake of electing Irani in 2019. Vadra has been publicly expressing confidence that the people of Amethi would ensure his victory by a huge margin if given the chance.

However, the Congress brushed off speculation over Vadra's candidature, stating that the decision on the party's candidate would be made public soon. Reacting to the posters cropping up in Amethi seeking Vadra's candidature, Congress spokesperson Surendra Rajput said that such posters were an issue for the BJP. "Vadra is not in politics, but every person has his supporters. The decision on who will be fielded by the Congress from Amethi will be taken soon," said Rajput. He said such decisions were not made through posters, but by the Central Election Committee.

After series of flip-flops, Akhilesh to contest from Kannauj & file papers today

NAMITA BAJPAI @ Lucknow

AFTER a series of flip-flops, the Samajwadi Party on Wednesday officially declared Akhilesh Yadav as the party candidate from Kannauj.

Two days ago, the party had named Tej Pratap Yadav, Akhilesh's nephew, as the candidate from the seat.

"The Samajwadi Party national president will file his nomination papers for Kannauj Lok Sabha seat as party candidate at noon tomorrow, (Thursday)," said a post on party's official 'X' handle.

As per senior SP leaders, the decision to declare Akhilesh as the party candidate was taken following pressure from the district unit of Kannauj. The district leaders argued that the SP chief's candidature from the seat would not only ensure party's win in Kannauj, but also consolidate the party's position in at least four adjoining constituencies as well.

"Over 100 SP leaders and office-bearers from Chhibramau, Tirwa and Kannauj assembly segments along with those from Bidhuna and Rasoolabad assembly segments of Kannauj parliamentary constituency had met Akhilesh Yadav during the last two days insisting that he must contest from the seat," said a senior functionary.

"Agreed that fielding Tej Pratap Yadav was not a wrong decision but Akhilesh's candidature is a better option," summed up a senior SP leader.

In fact, the SP chief was inclined to contest from Kannauj right from the beginning but decided to field Tej Pratap thinking that it would hamper party's campaign in the state.

Sources claim that the SP chief was also facing pressure from Tej Pratap's father-in-law Lalu Prasad to field him from Kannauj. Tej Pratap is married to Lalu's daughter Rajlakshmi.

Till Wednesday morning the party leadership had not taken a final call on Akhilesh's candidature. SP national general secretary Ram Gopal Yadav had come out to deny any uncertainty over Tej Pratap's candidature, saying he was the official candidate of the party.

Kannauj seat has been an SP bastion for several decades. In 1999, Mulayam was elected MP from the seat. However, in 2000, Akhilesh made his debut from Kannauj and he was re-elected in 2004 and 2009 general elections from the same seat.

Then Dimple Yadav was elected as MP from the seat twice — in 2012 and 2014. In the 2019 elections, BJP's Subrat Pathak defeated Dimple.

IN THE COURT OF THE PRINCIPAL CIVIL JUDGE AND J.M.F.C AT NELAMANGALA

CRL. MISC No.142/2024

BETWEEN: Smt. Bairahanamakka, W/o Late Venkatagiriyappa, Aged about 75 years, R/at, Bolamaranahalli Village, Kasaba Hobli, Nelamangala Taluk, Bengaluru Rural District, PIN-562123. AND 8 OTHERS ... **PETITIONERS**

AND: The Thahasildar, (Registrar of Births and Deaths), Nelamangala Taluk, Nelamangala, Bengaluru Rural District. ... **RESPONDENT**

NOTICE

The above named petitioners have filed the petition under section 13(3) of Registration of Births and Deaths Act-1969 seeking orders directing the respondent authority to get enter the date of death of 1st Petitioner grandfather and Petitioner No.2 to 9 great grandfather by name Narasappa @ Karlegowda, S/o late Pillanna, who died on 10.04.1940 at Bolamaranahalli Village, Kasaba Hobli, Nelamangala Taluk, Bengaluru Rural District. The Hon'ble Court has fixed the date on **25.06.2024** at **11:00 A.M** for hearing of the petition and that if any person/s desire to oppose the said petition to claim interest shall appear before the Hon'ble court in person or by pleader and file objection, failing which the matter will be heard and disposed off ex-parte.

Given under my hand and seal of the court on this 22/04/2024

By order of the Court, Chief Ministerial Officer, Court of the Civil Judge Junior Division and J.M.F.C. Nelamangala

Advocate for Petitioners: **NAGARAJU .S,**
Near Court Complex, Sondekoppa Road, Nelamangala, Bengaluru Rural District.

PARADIP PORT AUTHORITY

SHORT E-TENDER CALL NOTICE

TD/TM/GEN-225 (Vol-V)/2024/721, dtd.23.04.2024

Name of the work: **"Allotment of 06 (Six) nos. of Manual Iron Ore plots."** License Fees : **Rs.1,18,10,502/-**. Wharfage Fees : **Rs.7,78,435/-**. Last date & time of Submission of bid : **29.04.2024 up to 15:00 hrs.** Date and time of opening (technical bid): **29.04.2024 up to 15:00 hrs.**

Refer our website for details https://eprocure.gov.in/eprocure/app& http://paradipport.gov.in/.

Sd/- Traffic Manager
Paradip Port Authority

PPA/PR/02/2024-2025 dtd.24.04.2024

MAHATRANSCO Maharashtra State Electricity Transmission Co. Ltd.

Extension of sale period for SRM e-Tender No. T-55/2023-24

The sale period & last date of submission for following SRM e-tender is further extended up to 14.05.2024 upto 13:00 Hrs. **Date of opening (Tech. bid):** 14.05.2024 at 15:00Hrs. (If possible). All other terms & conditions of the e-tender will remain unchanged.

RFx No.	E-Tender No.	Particular
7000030974	T-55/ 2023-24	Second circuit stringing along with end bays in r/o (i) 132 kV Bambhori-Erondol Line (26.77 ckm) (ii) 132 kV Alephata-Ghargaon (30.82 ckm) (iii)132 kV Dondaicha-Shirpur line (53ckm) and (iv) 220 kV Gangapur-Valve line (12 ckm) under EHV PC O&M Zone Nashik

For further details please visit to **https://srmetender.mahatransco.in**

Chief Engineer, EHV PC (O&M), Zone, MSETCL, Nashik

FEDERAL BANK

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The Federal Bank Ltd., Loan Collection and Recovery Department / Bangalore Division, No. 3, Church Street, 2nd Floor, MSR West Park, Bengaluru-560 001, Karnataka, Phone: +91 8095828647, Email: bgrlcrd@federalbank.co.in Website: www.federalbank.co.in, CIN: L65191KL1931PLC000368

POSSESSION NOTICE

(For Immovable Property)

Where as the undersigned being the Authorised Officer of the Federal Bank Ltd. under the Securitisation & Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (hereinafter referred to as Act) and in exercise of powers conferred under section 13(12) of the said Act read with rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 (hereinafter referred to as Rules) issued a demand notice dated 06.05.2023 calling upon the borrowers **(1) Ramesh M Rudhani,** S/o Manilal V Rudhani, #76/B, 2nd Cross, 1st Main, Canara Bank Colony, Uttarahalli Main Road, Chikkalsandra, Subramanyapuram, Bangalore, Karnataka, 560061 // No.36 Vaishnavi Theatre Complex Uttarahalli Village, Subramanya Pura Main Road, Bangalore, Bangalore Urban, Karnataka, 560061, **(2) Geetha R Rudhani,** W/o Ramesh M Rudhani, #76/B, 2nd Cross, 1st Main, Canara Bank Colony, Uttarahalli Main Road, Chikkalsandra, Subramanyapuram, Bangalore, Karnataka, 560061 to repay the amount mentioned in the notice being **₹ 38,63,309.79 (Rupees Thirty Eight Lakh Sixty Three Thousand Three Hundred and Nine, paise Seventy Nine only)** as on **05.05.2023** under FHS loan with number 13877300003130 within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The borrower having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrower and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him/her under section 13(4) of the said Act read with rule 8 of the said Rules on this **23rd day of April the year 2024.**

The borrower/s' attention is invited to the provisions of section 13 (8) of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets (security properties).

The borrower in particular and public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of the Federal Bank Ltd. for an amount of **₹.38,83,186.79** as on **09/04/2024** under FHS loan with number 13877300003130 and interest thereon.

Description of the Immovable Property

All that piece and parcel of the residential apartment bearing Flat No.201(3BHK) in second floor measuring 1300 Sq.ft of super built up area put up in the property forming part of apartment building known as "Everjoy Brundavan" together with 276 Sq.ft of undivided share, right, title, interest and ownership and sital area comprising of the flat consisting of building existing and/or to be constructed and all other improvements thereon comprised in Site No. 50,51 and 52, Khatha No.84/3, of Chikkallasandra Village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, Bangalore District, Karnataka State within the registration Sub District of Banashankari, bounded on East by: Site No.53, West by: Private Property, North by: Site No. 57,58 and 59 and South by: Road.

Date : 23.04.2024
Place : Bengaluru

Sd/- Authorised Officer
The Federal Bank Ltd

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UNION BANK OF INDIA

(A Govt. of India Undertaking)
Branch: Kanaswadi
Kanasawadi PO, Doddaballapur Taluk, Bangalore Rural District- 561203
Phone No. 080-27653232, E-Mail: ubin0900923@unionbankofindia.bank

POSSESSION NOTICE (Rule 8(1) (For Immovable Property)

Whereas, the undersigned being the Authorised Officer of **Union Bank of India, Kanaswadi Branch, Bangalore** under Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of powers conferred under section 13(2) read with rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued demand notices dated calling upon the following Borrowers / Guarantors / Mortgagers to repay the amount mentioned in the notice with further interest / cost etc,. **within 60 days** from the date of the said notice. Details of demand notices such as date of issue and loan outstanding amount are mentioned against each borrower under.

1. Name of the Borrowers/Mortgagers: 1(a) M/s Bhavani Stationery and Gift Centre Prop. Sumanth Rao M R, Kanaswadi Village / Post, Madhure Hobli Doddaballapur Taluk, Bangalore Rural District-561203 **(b) Mr. Sumanth Rao M R (Proprietor)** Kanaswadi Village/Post, Madhure Hobli, Doddaballapur Taluk, Bangalore Rural District-561203 **(a) Mrs. Rajani Kumari (Guarantor)** W/o M E Ramachandra Rao Kanaswadi Village/Post, Doddaballapur Taluk, Bangalore Rural District-561203.

Demand notice dated : 16.12.2023 Possession Notice Date : 23.04.2024

Total amount mentioned in the notice: (1) CC account(CCGEN) 560101000072368 Rs.12,27,472/- (2) TERM LOAN UGECL (560716000388941 Rs.1,11,623.74/- Totally Rs.13,39,096/- (Rupees Thirteen Lakh Thirty Nine Thousand Ninety Six Only) **as on 14.12.2023** together with further interest and charges expenses thereon.

Description of the Properties : All that piece and parcel of the Residential Land and Building at **(1)** Serial No. 92, Janjar No.57, Property no.41, Measuring 12.50*14 feet, inclusive of a house situated at Kanaswadi Village, Madhure Hobli Doddaballapura Taluk, Bangalore Rural and bounded on East : Property of K V Nataraj, West : House of Shivanna, North: Own property of the applicant, South : Own property of the applicant.

(2) All that piece and parcel of the property bearing Serial No.93, Property no.42, measuring 12.50*86 feet situated at Kanaswadi Village, Madhure Hobli Doddaballapura Taluk, Bangalore Rural and bounded on East: House of Shivanna, West: Passage, North: Road, South: A vacant site no. belongs to same number.

2. Name of the Borrowers/Mortgagers: 1(a). (a).Mr M Ranganatha S/o Munirangegwda, Kanaswadi Village/Post Madhure Hobli, Doddaballapur Taluk, Bangalore Rural District-561203, **(b) Mr. Munirangegowda (Co Applicant)** S / o Ranga Hanumaiah, Kanaswadi Village/Post, Madhure Hobli, Doddaballapur Taluk, Bangalore Rural District-561203.

Demand notice dated : 16.12.2023 Possession Notice Date : 23.04.2024

Total amount mentioned in the notice: **Term Loan (CMORT) 560566000048824 Rs.7,91,345/-** (Rupees Seven Lakh Ninety One Thousand Three Hundred Forty Five Only) as on **15.12.2023** together with further interest and charges expenses thereon.

Description of the Property : All that piece and parcel of the Immovable Property at K No 4/4/1, situated at Kanaswadi Village, Madhure Hobli, Doddaballapura Taluk, Bangalore Rural, measuring 3300 sq.ft. together with Residetial Building belonging to Munirangegowda and bounded on : East: Remaining property, West : Property of Munirangegowda, North : Property of Seetharamaiah, South : Remaining property.

The above borrowers / Mortgagers having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the Borrowers / Guarantors / Mortgagers and the public in general that the under signed has taken possession of the properties described herein above in exercise of powers conferred on him/her under section 13(4) of the said act read with the rule 8 of the said Rules on above dates. The Borrower's attention is invited to provisions of Sub-Section (8) of Section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

The Borrowers / Guarantors / Mortgagers and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the properties and any dealings with the properties will be subject to the charge of **Union Bank of India, Kanaswadi Branch, Bangalore,** for the amount mentioned against their names with further interest accrued thereon cost.

Date : 23.04.2024
Place : Bengaluru

Sd/- Authorised Officer
Union Bank of India

MAHATRANSCO Maharashtra State Electricity Transmission Co. Ltd.

INVITATION FOR BIDDING (IFB) (Extension) (LOCAL COMPETITIVE BIDDING)

The sale & submission period of the following package wise SRM E-Tender is extended as below.

Particulars	Details
RFx Nos	**7000030980** Replacement of existing 0.2 ACSR Conductor by equivalent High Performance conductor of a) 132kV Harangul-Ausa-Niwali-Ujani D/C Line & b) 132Kv Ujani - Tuljapur - Naldurg - Bale (Solapur) D/C Line including LILO portion of Tuljapur & Naldurg under Chhatrapati Sambhajinagar Zone
Start Date	16.03.2024, 00.00 Hrs
Extended in publicity period Upto	23.05.2024, 23.59 Hrs
End Date	23.05.2024, 23.59 Hrs

For further details, visit our Website https://srmetender.mahatransco.in/

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ATTIBELE BRANCH

Grand Victory Hotel Complex, Sarjapur - Marthahalli Road, Attibele, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore, Karnataka -562107.

SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES

E-Auction Sale Notice for 15 days Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8 (6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower(s) and Guarantor(s) thatthe below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the constructive/physical possession 24.08.2020 of has been taken by the Authorised Officer of Union Bank of India Secured Creditor will be sold on **"As is where is", As is what is" and "whatever there in" on 14.05.2024, 11:00 am to 04:00 pm** for recovery of **Rs.23,86,239.44/-** as on **22-04-2024** plus subsequent interest and other charges. **1. Mrs. Radha W/o Vivekananda, No. 112, ODR Street Attibele, Anekal, Bengaluru 562107. 2. Mr. M Vivekananda, No. 112, ODR Street Attibele, Anekal, Bengaluru 562107. The reserve Price will be Rs.65,52,000/- and EMD deposit will be Rs.6,55,200/- (10% of Reserve Price).**

Details of immovable secured assets to be sold: Schedule Property is in the name of Mrs. Radha: All that piece and parcel of the three storeyed residential house bearing Old Sl No. 1519, Old Property No. 111, New Sl. No. 2839, New Property no. 214, Located in ODR Street, Parvathi Nagar, Near Attibele Toll, Chikkanahalli Road, Attibele, Anekal Taluk, Bengaluru-562107, Measuring 1200 Sq ft with building thereon and bounded as follows: **East by:** Property of Mr. Mariyappa, **West by:** property of Mr. Venkataswamappa, **North by:** House of Basha, **South by:** Road.

For Details terms and condition of the sale, please referto the link provided in **(1) https://www.ibapi.in (2) www.unionbankofindia.co.in**
The intending purchaser require to register through :
https://www.mstcecommerce.com/auctionhome/ibapi/index.jsp
The online E-auction will be held through website: **sarfaesi@unionbankofindia.com.**
For E-auction Related queries Please contact : **BM : 9569780778**

Date : 22.04.2024
Place : Bangalore

Sd/- Authorised Officer
Union Bank of India

SOUTH INDIAN Bank
CIN: L65191KL1929PLC001017

Regional Office: SIB Arcade, #61, Wheeler Road, Cox Town, Bangalore – 560 005. Tel./ Fax No: +91 80-25479091 / 92 E-mail: ro1010@sib.co.in. Website: www.southindianbank.com

Notice U/s. 13(2) of Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (hereinafter referred to as ACT r/w Rule 3(1) of Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002)

To, **Borrowers: 1. Mr. Murali M,** # No 72/3, 1st Main, 1st Right Cross, Kishor Layout, Harappanahalli, Bannerughatta, Bengaluru Urban Karnataka 560083. **2. Mrs. Mamatha M,** # No 72/3, 1st Main, 1st Right Cross, Kishor Layout, Harappanahalli, Bannerughatta, Bengaluru Urban Karnataka 560083. Also at- D/o Muniraju, Samandur, Submangala, Anekal, Bangalore Karnataka-562106. **3. Mrs. Papamma,** # No 72/3, 1st Main, 1st Right Cross, Kishor Layout, Harappanahalli, Bannerughatta, Bengaluru Urban Karnataka 560083. Also at- D/o Sampangappa No.99 Manjunatha Nagar, Kallubalu Road, Anekal, Jigani, Bangalore Karnataka - 560105.

Murali M, Mamatha M & Papamma, being the Principal Borrowers, availed Mortgage Loan (Term Loan) of **Rs.25,00,000/- (Rupees Twenty Five Lakh Only)** from THE SOUTH INDIAN BANK LIMITED, having its registered office at 'SIB House', T B Road, Thrissur – 01, Kerala and one of its Regional Offices at SIB Arcade, # 61, Wheeler Road, Cox Town, Bangalore-560005 and one of its Branches at Ballur - Ward No.345, Ground Floor, Harish Building, Sipcot Road, Anekal P.O., Bangalore District, Karnataka-562107 by executing necessary documents / acknowledging the debt and security on **23.07.2020** and is secured by the asset scheduled below (hereinafter referred to as Secured Asset).

The said account was classified as Non Performing Asset in our accounts on **07.12.2023** and we had issued notice under S.13(2) of the Act on **15.03.2024** demanding total payment of **Rs. 23,99,776.67 (Rupees Twenty Three Lakh Ninety Nine Thousand Seven Hundred Seventy Six and Paise Sixty Seven Only)** as on 14-Mar-2024, plus further interest and costs within 60 days from the date of receipt of the notice. However, No.1 & 3 of you have avoided service of the said notice, this public notice is issued pursuant to Rule 3(1) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.

Hence, you are hereby called upon by this notice to discharge your liabilities in full within 60 days of this notice, failing which, we shall, without any further reference, be constrained to enforce the secured assets scheduled below by exercising all or any of the rights given under Section 13(4) of the said Act.

You may further note that as per Section 13(13) of the ACT, you are restrained / prohibited from disposing of or dealing with the below security or transferring by way of sale, lease or otherwise (other than in the ordinary course of business) any of the below secured assets, without our prior written consent. Please note that this publication is made without prejudice to such rights and remedies as are available to the South Indian Bank Ltd., against the borrowers and the guarantor as per law.

The borrower's attention is invited to provisions of Sub Section (8) of Section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available to redeem the secured assets.

SCHEDULE : (Immovable property secured to the account)

Description of Immovable Property : All that piece and parcel of land admeasuring 8700 Sq.Ft along with building thereon in Property No. 30/1, Khata No.30/1, measuring East to West 100 feet and North to South 87 feet along with all other constructions, improvements, easementary rights existing and appurtenant thereon, situated at Hullahalli Village, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore District and owned by Mr. Murali. M., more fully described in Gift Deed No. 7949/2019-20 dated 28-01-2020 of SRO-Jigani and bounded on, North: Land of Mr Narayana Reddy East: Property of Mr Chinnappa Reddy South: Land of Mr. Siddalingappa Reddy, Malla Reddy West: 25 feet road in remaining portion of same property Security Interest created by : Mr. Murali. M.

Date : 18.04.2024
Place : Bengaluru

Sd/- Authorised Officer
Chief Manager

केनरा बैंक Canara Bank (A Government of India Undertaking)

Konanakunte Branch

Kanakapura Main Road, Konanakunte, Bengaluru-560062.

POSSESSION NOTICE

APPENDIX IV under Rule 8 (1) Section 13(4) (For Immovable Property)

The undersigned being the Authorized Officer of **Canara Bank, Konanakunte Branch, Bengaluru,** under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (Act 54 of 2002) and in exercise of the powers conferred under Section 13 (12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002, issued a Demand Notice dated **31.01.2024** calling upon the Borrowers/Guarantors/Mortgagors, **1) M/s. Hasmuk Food Processing Pvt Ltd,** No.641, 3rd Main, Kengeri Satellite Town, Bengaluru-560060, **Represented by its Directors, Sri. N. S. Shivaswamy and Smt. Asha. S. Kumble, and Guarantors, 2) Sri. N. S. Shivaswamy,** No.139, SFS Saptagiri Apartement, 3rd Main, Kamalanagara, 2nd Stage, Bengaluru-560079, **3) Smt. Asha. S. Kumble,** W/o Sri. Yogesh,**4) Sri. Anand Rao. K. S** S/o Sri. Sundaresh K. R, **5) Sri. Abhilash Kumble** S/o Sri. Anand. K.S, **All are residing at:** # 641, Maruti Nilaya, 3rd Main, 1st Stage, Kengeri Satellite Town, Bengaluru-560060, to repay the amount mentioned in the notice being **Rs.65,55,313.69 Paisa** (Rupees Sixty Five Lakhs Fifty Five Thousand Three Hundred and Thirteen and Paisa Sixty Nine Only) as on **31.01.2024** within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice, together with further interest and incidental expenses and costs.

The Borrowers/Guarantors/Mortgagors having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the Borrowers and the public in general, that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him / her under Section 13 (4) of the said Act, read with Rules 8 & 9 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 on this **24th April 2024.**

The borrowers attention is invited to provisions of sub Section (8) of Section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

The Borrowers/Guarantors/Mortgagors in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of Canara Bank for an amount of **Rs.67,56,786.20 Paisa** (Rupees Sixty Seven Lakhs Fifty Six Thousand Seven Hundred and Eighty Six and Paisa Twenty Only) as on **23.04.2024** together with further interest and incidental expenses and costs.

Schedule Property: Item No.1: All that piece and parcel of property bearing Vacant Site No.908, formed out of Sy No.158/1, Nandanavana Layout, situated at Bukkasagara Village, Jigani Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bengaluru District-560105, measuring East to West 30 Feet and North to South 40 Feet, totally measuring 1,200 Square Feet and bounded on the : East By : Site No.869, West By : Road, North By: Site No:907, South By: Site No.909.

Item No.2: All that piece and parcel of property bearing Vacant Site No.937, formed out of SyNo.158/2, Nandanavana Layout, situated at Bukkasagara Village, Jigani Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bengaluru District-560105, measuring East to West 30 Feet and North to South 40 Feet, totally measuring 1,200 Square Feet and bounded on the : East By : Road, West By : Site No.946, North By: Site No.938, South By: Site No.936.

Item No.3 : All that piece and parcel of property bearing Vacant Site No.938, formed out of Sy No. 158/1, Nandanavana Layout, situated at Bukkasagara Village, Jigani Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bengaluru District -560105, measuring East to West 30 Feet and North to South 40 Feet, totally measuring 1,200 Square Feet and bounded on the : East By : Site No.869, West By : Road, North By: Site No.907, South By: Site No.909.

Date : 24.04.2024
Place :Bengaluru

Sd/-Authorized Officer
Canara Bank

UCO BANK

(A Govt. of India Undertaking)

MALLESWARAM BRANCH
No.47, West Park Road, 15th Cross, Malleswaram, Bangalore - 560 003.

POSSESSION NOTICE

(Under Rule 8(1))

Whereas, the undersigned being the Authorized Officer of the **UCO Bank** under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (54 of 2002) and in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13(12) read with (rule 3) of the Security interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued demand notice dated 05.02.2024 calling upon the **borrowers Mrs. Pushpalatha Murali Rao & Mr.Murali Narayana Rao,** No.001, DS Max, Santrupthi Nest, 8th Block, Vishweswaraiah Layout, Gidadakonahalli, Nagarbhavi 2nd Stage, Bangalore-560091 to repay the amount mentioned in the notice being **Rs.28,27,996.33 (Rupees Twenty Eight Lakhs Twenty Seven Thousand Nine Hundred and Ninety Six and Paise Thirty Three only)** as on 30.01.2024 along with further interest from 30.09.2023 and other charges within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The borrower/guarantors having failed to repay the said amount, notice is hereby given to the borrower/guarantors and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him/her under sub Section of 4 Section 13 of Act read with rule 8 of the Security interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 on this the **22nd April 2024.**

The borrowers/guarantors in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of **UCO Bank, Malleswaram Branch,** Bangalore for an amount of **Rs.28,27,996.33 (Rupees Twenty Eight Lakhs Twenty Seven Thousand Nine Hundred and Ninety Six and Paise Thirty Three only)** along with further interest from 30.09.2023 and other charges thereon.

The borrower/guarantors attention is invited to provisions of Sub Section 8 of section 13 of said Act in respect of time available to redeem the secured assets

DESCRIPTION OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTY:
SCHEDULE - 'A' PROPERTY
(Description of the Entire Property)

DESCRIPTION OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTY: All that piece and parcel of undeveloped converted land property bearing SY. No.1/3, which measuring 13 guntas, situated at Gidadakonenahalli Village, Yeshwantpur Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, in vide: conversion Order dated 07/04/2005, in Conversion Order No.ALN(N)SR 362/2004-05, for residential use, issued by Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District, Bangalore and **bound on:** East by: Remaining portion of Land bearing Sy.No.1/3 & Sy.No.1/5, West by: BDA Road, North by: Remaining Portion of Sy.No.1/3, South by: BDA Road.

Flat bearing No.001 in ground floor measuring 1227 Sq. Ft. of super built up area, constructed over the above property containing 2 bed rooms, kitchen, dining, toilet/s, living room with one car parking bearing no.001 in the apartment known as "DS MAX SANTRUPTHI NEST", together with an undivided share, right title and interest of land in the total land of the above referred property, along with water electricity together with common area such as passages, lobbies, lifts staircase and other areas for common use with 274.88 Sq. Ft. undivided share, right, title and interest of the land in the total landed property referred above.

Date: 22.04.2024, Place: Bangalore **Authorised officer, UCO Bank**

ಕೆನರಾ ಬ್ಯಾಂಕ್ Canara Bank (A Government of India Undertaking) Syndicate

Infantry Road Branch : No.91/1 Infantry Road, Bangalore – 560 001, Phone No. No 080-25599936, e-mail : cb1927@canarabank.com

DEMAND NOTICE TO BORROWER / GUARANTOR / MORTGAGOR

Notice issued under Section 13(2) of the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002.

To,
Borrower : 1. Mrs. Hemalatha D,
2. Mr. P N Krishnamurthy S/o Nagappa P,
Both are at : No 40/2, Mackan Road Cross, K No 4th Street, Bangalore-560001.

That you, **Mrs. Hemalatha D and Mr. P N Krishnamurthy** (hereinafter referred to as "the Borrower") has availed Credit Facility against which there are outstanding liabilities as mentioned below. We had called upon you to clear the entire liabilities for the loans borrowed from our **Infantry Road Branch.**

You have committed default in repayment of loans as mentioned below and the loans were classified as Non Performing Assets on **06.04.2024**

The Bank through this notice brings to your attention that you have failed and neglected to repay the said dues/ outstanding liabilities and hence hereby demand you under Section 13(2) of the Act, by issuing this notice to discharge in full the liabilities of the Borrower as stated in hereunder to the Bank **within 60 days from the date of receipt of this notice.** The notice under Sec.13(2) of the Act sent to you by Post. Ack. Due on **10.04.2024** was not acknowledged by you.

Further, it is brought to your notice that you are also liable to pay future interest at the rate together with all costs, charges, expenses and incidental expenses with respect to the proceedings undertaken by the bank in recovering its dues.

Please take note of the fact that if you fail to repay to the Bank the aforesaid sum of **Rs. 38,80,464.70 (Rupees Thirty Eight Lakh Eighty Thousand Four Hundred and Sixty Four and Paisa Seventy Only)** together with further interest and incidental expenses and costs as stated above in terms of this notice under Section 13(2) of the Act, The Bank will exercise all or any of the rights detailed under sub-section (4)(a) and (b) of Section 13. You are hereby restrained from dealing with any of the secured assets detailed below in terms of Section 13(13).

Your attention is invited to provisions of sub-section (8) of Section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

Loan No.	Nature of Loan	Date of sanction	Liability with Interest as on 10.04.2024	Rate Of Interest (Including penal interest 2%)
3073619000016	Housing Loan	04.11.2016	**Rs. 38,80,464.70**	**10.90%**

Details of Security Assets : **Schedule A property:** All that piece and parcel of the immovable residential property bearing Municipal no:40/2-1 (Old No 40/2), Municipal Ward No 80 situated at K No.4th street, Mackan Road Cross, Bharathinagar, Bangalore-560001, measuring East to West 19 feet and North to South (60 feet+56 feet 5 inches) /2, totally measuring 1106.75 sq.ft and bounded on the: **East By** : Private property, **West By** : Private Property, **North By** : Road and **South By** : Private Property.

Schedule B property: 338 Square feet of undivided right, title, interest inclusive of proportionate share of common areas in the Schedule-A property.

Schedule C Property : All that piece and parcel of the second floor in the Residential Property bearing Municipal no:40/2-1 (Old No 40/2), Municipal Ward No 80 situated at K No.4th street, Mackan Road Cross, Bharathinagar, Bangalore-560001, together with 4.00 Squares building thereon, constructed out of brick and cement,RCC roofing , Mosaic Flooring,Mathi and Honne Wood Doors and Windows along with amenities of water , electricity and sanitary and bounded on the: **East By** : Private property, **West By:** Private Property, **North By:** Road and **South By:** Private Property.

Place : Bangalore
Date : 24.04.2024

Authorised Officer
Canara Bank

SOUTHERN RAILWAY

Electrical (General), Construction, Chennai Egmore
TENDER NOTICE NO. E-HQ-CN-MS-EOT1-2024-25 Dated: 22.04.2024

For and on behalf of the President of India, The Dy Chief Elec Engineer/Gen/ Cons/ S. Rly/ Egmore, Chennai-600 008 invites E-Tender for the following works.

Name of work: Electrification of extension Wagon & Repair and Paint sheds in Carriage work shop at Perambur.

1. Period of completion	Nine months
2. Approximate cost of work	Rs.3,41,92,826.72
3. Cost of tender form	Nil
4. Earnest Money deposited	Rs.3,21,000/-
5. Tender closing date	15.05.2024.

Complete details can be e seen www.ireps.gov.in.

CUB TRUST AND EXCELLENCE SINCE 1904

CITY UNION BANK LIMITED

Credit Recovery and Management Department
Administrative Office : No. 24-B, Gandhi Nagar, Kumbakonam - 612 001. **E-Mail id :** crmd@cityunionbank.in, **Ph :** 0435-2432322, **Fax :** 0435-2431746

RE-TENDER-CUM-AUCTION SALE NOTICE UNDER SARFAESI ACT 2002

The following property/ies mortgaged to **City Union Bank Limited** will be sold in Re-Tender-cum-Public Auction by the Authorised Officer of the Bank, under Rule 8 (6) & 9 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002, under the SARFAESI Act, 2002, for recovery of a sum of **Rs.16,84,12,553/- (Rupees Sixteen Crore Eighty Four Lakh Twelve Thousand Five Hundred and Fifty Three only)** as on **29-02-2024** together with further interest to be charged from **01-03-2024** onwards, other expenses and any other dues to the bank by the borrowers / guarantors **No.1) Mr. Mohit Kumar Jain, S/o. Suresh Shah, No.253, M.S.V. Cable Network Road, Amruthahalli, Bangalore - 560093. No.2) Mrs. Jalpa Jain, W/o. Mr. Mohith Kumar Jain, No.253, M.S.V. Cable Network Road, Amruthahalli, Bangalore - 560093. No.3) M/s. Just Love It Apparel LLP, No.31/1, 5th Main, Near Vinayak Temple, Opp. Kavi Travels, Sriramapuram, Bangalore - 560021. No.4) M/s. SFJLI Pvt. Ltd, No.31,5th Main Road, Opp. Kavi Travels, Sriramapuram, Bangalore - 560021. No.5) Mr. Karthick Rao, S/o. H.T. Sadashivarao, No.15, Meenakshi Cottage, Govindappa Lane, 2nd Cross, Ramaswamy Palya, Bangalore - 560033. No.6) Mrs. Prema .S Rao, W/o. Late Sadhashiv Rao, HRBR Layout, 1st Block, Kalyan Nagar, RT Nagar, Bangalore - 560032. No.7) Mr. Ajit Trambakla Shah, S/o. T.T. Shah, No.F 113, 2nd Main Road, Behind Central Chambers, Gandhi Nagar, Bangalore - 560009. No.8) M/s. Soham Fashions, No.31, 5th Main Road, Opp. Kavi Travels, Sriramapuram, Bangalore - 560021. No.9) Mr. Debi Prasad Dhanuka, F/o. Late Udit Dhanuka, (In the capacity of legal heir of late Udit Dhanuka). No.4/16, Palace Road, High Grounds, Opp. Anjaneya Temple, Bangalore- 560052.No.10) Mrs. Sumitra Devi Dhanuka, W/o. Mr. Debi Prasad Dhanuka, (In the capacity of legal heir of late Udit Dhanuka). No.4/16, Palace Road, High Grounds, Opp. Anjaneya Temple, Bangalore - 560052.**

Note : That our **132-Bengaluru-Malleswaram Branch** has also extended Financial Assistance (CUB OSL SPECIAL-BR : 501812080081356) dated **30-09-2021** requested by No.8 of you represented by Nos. 1, 2 and 5 of you as Partners for which Nos.1, 2 and 5 of you stood as Co-obligants and Nos. 1 and 2 of you stood as Guarantors for the facility for a total amount of **Rs. 45,00,000/-** at a ROI of **12%.** The same has been also classified as **NPA** on **29-12-2022** and the outstanding balance as on **29-02-2024** is **Rs.56,68,276/-** plus further interest and penal interest of **2.00%** with monthly rests to be charged from **01-03-2024** till the date of realization.

Immovable Properties Mortgaged to our Bank

Schedule - A : (Property Owned by Mr. Mohit Kumar Jain, S/o. Suresh Shah & Mrs. Jalpa Jain, W/o. Mr. Mohith Kumar Jain)

All that piece and parcel of the Commercial land and Building bearing Sy. No.2 (Re-Survey No. 60/1) Southern Portion of Property No.31, PID No.26-33-31/1, Measuring : East - West : 70 Feet, and North-South : 54 Feet, in all 3,780 sq.ft. Situated at Kranti Kavi Sarvagnya Road, Okalipuram, Bangalore, constructed building thereon and bounded by : East by : Road; West by : Road, North by : Property belonging to Ajit T. Shah; and South by : Private Property.

Reserve Price : Rs.6,00,00,000/-
(Rupees Six Crore only)

Schedule - B : (Property Owned by Mrs. Prema .S Rao, W/o. Late Sadhashiv Rao)

All that piece and parcel of Three Bed Room Residential Flat bearing No.1, in the Ground Floor, Eastern Side, Municipal Katha No.29, PID No.27-71-29 with 1,400 sq.ft. of Super Built-up-Area and undivided share of land to an extent of 670 sq.ft. or 1/6th Share out of total measurement of : East to West : 80 ft. and North to South : 50 ft. admeasuring 4,000 sq.ft. Situated at I Cross, Nehru Nagar, Bangalore City, together with all rights, appurtenances whatsoever and bounded on : (For Site) East by : Private Property; West by : Main Road; North by : Property No.28; and South by : Property No.30 (For Flat -East by : Passage, West by : Flat No.2, North by : Passage, South by : Passage).

Reserve Price : Rs.1,00,00,000/-
(Rupees One Crore only)

Schedule - C : (Property Owned by Late Udit Dhanuka Now represented by Mr. Debi Prasad Dhanuka & Mrs. Sumitra Devi Dhanuka as his legal heirs)

All that piece and parcel of the Residential Apartment bearing No.GF-2, Municipal No.53, PID No.91-75-53 assigned by the BBMP on the Ground Floor , Measuring about 1,100 sq.ft, Super built-up-Area, in the Apartment known as "LA CITADEL", situated at promenade Road, Ward No.91, Frazer Town, Bangalore, and bounded by : East by : Property bearing Old No.19; West by : Property bearing Old No.17; North by : Promenade Road and; South by : Private Property.

Reserve Price : Rs.83,00,000/-
(Rupees Eighty Three Lakh only)

RE-AUCTION DETAILS

Date of Re-Tender-cum-Auction Sale	Venue
15-05-2024	**City Union Bank Limited, Bengaluru-Malleswaram Branch,** No.58/1,13th Cross, Margosa Road, Malleswaram, Bengaluru Rural, Karnataka - 560003. Telephone No.080-23463636, Cell No.9342519841.

Terms and Conditions of Re-Tender-cum-Auction Sale :

(1) The intending bidders should be present in person for the auction and participate personally and give a declaration in writing to the effect that he/she is bidding for himself/ herself. **(2)** The intending bidders may obtain the Tender Forms from **The Manager, City Union Bank Limited, Bengaluru Malleswaram Branch, No.58/1,13th Cross, Margosa Road, Malleswaram, Bengaluru Rural, Karnataka - 560003. (3)** The intending bidders should submit their bids only in the Tender Form prescribed in sealed envelopes addressed to **The Authorised Officer, City Union Bank Ltd.,** together with a Pay Order / Demand Draft for an EMD of **10%** of the Reserve Price, drawn in favour of **"City Union Bank Ltd.", on or before 12.00 Noon** on the date of Tender-cum Auction Sale hereby notified. **(4)** For inspection of the property and other particulars, the intending purchaser may contact **Telephone No.080-23463636, Cell No.9342519841. (5)** The property/ies are sold on "As-is-where-is", "As-is-what-is" and "whatever-there is" basis. **(6)** The sealed tenders will be opened in the presence of the intending bidders at **01.00 p.m.** on the date of Tender-cum-Auction Sale hereby notified. Though in general the sale will be by way of closed tenders, the Authorised Officer may, at his sole discretion, conduct an Open Auction among the interested bidders who desire to quote a bid higher than the one received in the closed tender process, and in such an event, the sale shall be conferred on the person making highest bid. The sale, however, is subject to confirmation of City Union Bank Limited. **(7)** The successful bidder shall have to pay **25% (inclusive of EMD paid)** of the sale amount **immediately** on completion of sale and the balance amount of **75%** within **15 days** from the date of confirmation of sale, failing which the initial deposit of **25%** shall be forfeited. **(8)** The Sale Certificate will be issued by the Authorised Officer in favour of the successful purchaser only after receipt of the entire sale consideration within the time limit stipulated herein. **(9)** The successful purchaser shall bear the charges/fees payable for conveyance, such as stamp duty, registration fee etc., as applicable under law. **(10)** The successful bidder should pay the statutory dues (lawful house tax, electricity charges and other dues), TDS, GST if any, due to Government, Government Undertaking and local bodies. **(11)** The Authorised Officer shall have all the powers to accept or reject the bids or postpone or cancel the sale without assigning any reason whatsoever.

Place : Kumbakonam, Date : 23-04-2024 **Authorised Officer**

Regd. Office : 149, T.S.R. (Big) Street, Kumbakonam, Thanjavur District, Tamil Nadu - 612 001, **CIN -** L65110TN1904PLC001287, **Telephone No.** 0435-2402322, **Fax :** 0435-2431746, **Website :** www.cityunionbank.com

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FORMAT C-1

(For candidate to publish in Newspapers, TV)

Declaration about criminal cases:

As per the judgement dated 25th September, 2018, of Hon'ble Supreme Court in WP (Civil) No. 536 of 2011 (Public Interest Foundation & Drs. Vs. Union of India & Anr.)

Name and address of candidate : **RADHAKRISHNA DODDAMANI, 5/98, Main Road, Gundagurthi Village, Chittapur Taluk, Kalaburagi (Gulbarga) District - 585317**

Name of Political Party : **INDIAN NATIONAL CONGRESS**

(Independent candidates should write "Independent" here)

Name of Election: **GENERAL ELECTIONS TO LOK SABHA – 2024**

*Name of Constituency : **05 – GULBARGA (SC) PARLIAMENTARY CONSTITUENCY**

I RADHAKRISHNA DODDAMANI (Name of Candidate), a candidate for the above – mentioned election, declare for public information the following details about my criminal antecedents:

(A) Pending criminal cases

Sl. No.	Name of the Court	Case No. and dated	Status of case (s)	Section(s) of acts concerned and brief description of offences(s)
1.	Additional Chief Metropolitan Magistrate Court, Bangalore	CC No. 9564/2019	is pending for next hearing on 31/05/2024	U/s.420, 468, 471, r/w 34 of IPC Allegation of cheating, forgery for purpose of cheating, using as genuine, a forged (Documents). Acts done by several persons in furtherance of common intention.

(B) Details about cases of conviction for criminal offences

Sl. No.	Name of Court & date(s) of order(s)	Description of offences(s) & punishment imposed	Maximum punishment imposed
	Not Applicable	**Not Applicable**	**Not Applicable**

*In the case of election to Council of States or election to Legislative Council by MLAs, mention the election concerned in place of name of constituency.

Sd/- RADHAKRISHNA DODDAMANI

Format C-2

Declaration about criminal antecedents of candidates set up by the party:

(As per the judgement dated 25th September, 2018, of Hon'ble Supreme Court in WP (Civil) No.536 of 2011 (Public Interest Foundation & Ors Vs. Union of India & Anr.)

Name of Political Party : **Bharatiya Janata Party**
Name of Election : **General Election to LokSabha - 2024**
Name of State/UT : **Karnataka**

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Sl. No.	**Name of Constituency**	**Name of Candidate**	**(A)Pending Criminal cases**		**(B) Details about cases of conviction for criminal offences**	
			Name of Court, case No. & status of the case(s)	**Sections of the Acts concerned & brief description of offence(s)**	**Name of Court & date(s) of order(s)**	**Description offfence(s) & punishment imposed**
1	**09 - BELLARY**	**B. SREEMALU**	1) 2nd Addl. Jmfc, Chitradurga Cc No.481/2023 Pending	1) Section 188 Ipc, Disobidience Of Public Order	NA	NA
			2) 81st Addl. City Civil & Sessions Court, Bengaluru Spl. Cc No.876/ 2022 Pending	2) Secs. 13 (1)D R/W 13 (2) Of Pc Act., Secs. 120b, 427, 447, 506 R/W. 34 Of Ipc Property Obtained By Illegal Means	NA	NA
			3) 42nd addl. Cmm, Bengaluru. Cc No.30779/2021 Pending	3) Sec. 276 C (1) It Act, Evading Of Tax	NA	NA
			4) Prl (Sr.Cj), Chellakeri Cc No.615/2020 Pending	4) Sec. 51(B) Of Nmd Act, 2005, And Sec. 188 Of Ipc Obstructing Public Servant, Disobedience Causing Danger To To Human Life, Health Or Safety,	NA	NA
			5) Spl. Court For Abolition Of Land Grabbing. Lgc No. 1366/2019 Pending	5) Sec. 4(3) Of Klgb Act, 2011 Land Grabbing	NA	NA
2	**14 - SHIMOGA**	**B.Y. RAGHAVENDRA**	1) 1st Addl Civil Judge (Jr.Dn)& Jmfc Court, Chitradurga Dist. Chitradurga. Cr.No.0124/2024, Dated:23.03.2024 Registered At Chitradurga Ruralpolice Station, Chitradurga Stayed By Hon'ble High Court Of Karnataka, Bengaluru, On 16.04.2024, In W.P.10412/2024, Pending 2) F.No.Ecir/ Bgzo/06/2013 Directorate Of Enforcement Bangalore Zonal Office, 3rd Floor, 'B' Block, Bmtc Building, Shantinagar, K.H.Road, Bangalore Under Investigation (Note:This Ecir Registered Based On The Charge Sheet Filed In Fir No.Rc.08(A)/2012 Filed By Cbi.After Thorough Trial Before Cbi Court In Spl.C.C.207/2012 All Accused Are Acquitted On 26.10.2016)	1) Sec. 171(F) Of Ipc, Sec. 125 Of R.P Act And Sec. 7 Of Religious Institutions (Prevention Of Misuse) Act 1988. Offences Relating To Undue Influence Or Personation At An Election, Promoting Enmity Between Classes In Connection With Election, Contravention Of Provisions Of Se.3,4,5, Or 6 Of Religious Institutions (Prevention Of Misuse) Act 2) Sec. 3 Of The Prevention Of Money Laundering Act, 2002 Money Laundering	NA	NA

Lokesh Ambekallu
(State Office Secretary)
Bharatiya Janata Party - Karnataka

Senate OKs aid, Ukraine to get US weapons in hours

President Biden signs legislation that earmarks $61 billion of the $95 billion war assistance for Kyiv; Israel, Taiwan too part of the basket

WASHINGTON

PRESIDENT Joe Biden signed into law on Wednesday a $95 billion war aid measure that includes aid for Ukraine, Israel and Taiwan.

The announcement marks an end to long, painful battle with Republicans in Congress over urgently needed assistance for Ukraine.

"We rose to the moment. we came together. and we got it done," Biden said at White House event to announce the signing. "Now we need to move fast, and we are." But significant damage has been done to the Biden administration's effort to help Ukraine repel Russia's brutal invasion during the funding impasse that dates back to August, when the Democratic president made his first emergency spending request for Ukraine aid. Even with a burst of new weapons and ammunition, it is unlikely Ukraine will immediately recover after months of setbacks.

Biden said the transfer of an initial aid package of military assistance will begin in a matter of hours the first tranche from about $61 billion allocated for Ukraine, according to US officials.

It is expected to include air defence capabilities, artillery rounds, armoured vehicles and other weapons to shore up Ukrainian forces who have seen morale sink as Russian President Vladimir Putin has racked up win after win.

But longer term, it remains uncertain if Ukraine after months of losses in Eastern Ukraine and sustaining massive damage to its infrastructure can make enough progress to sustain American political support before burning through the latest influx of money.

"It's not going in the Ukrainians' favour in the Donbas, certainly not elsewhere in the country," said White House national security spokesman John Kirby, referring to the eastern industrial heartland where Ukraine has suffered setbacks. "Mr. Putin thinks he can play for time. So we've got to try to make up some of that time." Russia now appears focused on Kharkiv, Ukraine's second largest city. Russian forces have exploited air defense shortages in the city, pummelling the region's energy infrastructure, and looking to shape conditions for a potential summer offensive to seize the city.

House Speaker Mike Johnson delayed a vote on the supplemental aid package for months as members of his party's far right wing threatened to move to oust him if he allowed a vote to send more assistance to Ukraine. *AP*

PUBLIC NOTICE

Lost document

Public are here by informed that my client **GAYATRI J BHAT,** C/o B P JAYAVANTHA BHAT, residing at No -19,S-HIG-C,-2,Shantiniketan,Shivamandir road,5th phase Yelahanka New Town Bangalore-560064,had lost the sale deed document No.1156/1999-2000.Sub-registred office, Yelahanka, Bangalore-560064, while shifting the house at Yelahanka Bangalore and I lodge the e- lost compliant No-1021762/2024. If anybody found the same please to be returned to the under signed

G. R. Ravi Chandra REDDY, Advocate No.61.11th cross, Kogilu ,Yelahanka Bangalore-560064.9845089115.

PUBLIC NOTICE

The undersigned advocate submit on behalf of my client **SHARADA BEN** W/o Late. Hiralal P Patel, Aged about 63 years, R/at No.36, Vrundavan Residency, Kumbarahalli Cross, Hesaraghatta Hobli, Tarabanahalli, Bengaluru North, Bengaluru-560090 and others have filed the death petition for the death certificate of deceased by name **HIRALAL P PATEL, S/o Late. Punja Patel, passed on 24/10/2022, at 36, Vrundavan Residency, Kumbarahalli Cross, Hesaraghatta Hobli, Tarabanahalli, Bengaluru North, Bengaluru-560090.** If any parties who have objections may dispute regarding the same or appear before the Hon'ble 1st A.C.M.M. Court **on 16/05/2024 at 11-00 AM in C.Misc. No. 2512/2024.**

BY ORDER OF THE COURT
Sd/- SHERISTEDAR, COURT OF THE 1st A.C.M.M BENGALURU
V. PUSHPALATHA, ADVOCATE

SOUTH WESTERN RAILWAY G20

Tender notice No. 15/2024 Dated: 19.04.2024

The undersigned on behalf of the President of India, invites E-Tender through IREPS only for supply of following items:

Description in brief: Traction Transformer complete with accessories as per approved GA drawing of ICF suitable for 3-PHASE MEMU propulsion system as per RDSO specification no. RDSO/PE/SPEC/EMU/0096-2008 (rev 4 or latest) for 3-Phase MEMU DMCs

(Tender Notice No. L8249001) (Qty: 04 Nos)

Last date for submission of bids: **Up to 10:30 hrs. of 13.05.2024**

For details log on: www.ireps.gov.in

Senior Divisional Materials Manager Bengaluru

PUB/31/AAV/PRB/SWR/2024-25

South Western Railway-SWR SWRRLY SWRRLY

PUBLIC NOTICE

My client intends to enter into sale transactions with respect to the land morefully described in the schedule hereunder and referred as SCHEDULE PROPERTY with the erstwhile land owner Sri. CHETHAN KUMAR B.P. In the event of any person/s having claim in respect thereof by way of Sale, exchange, mortgage, charge, gift, trust, maintenance, inheritance possession, lease, lien or otherwise howsoever are hereby requested to make the same known in writing within 15 days to the undersigned having their office at the below mentioned address from the date of publication hereof, failing which, the claim of such person/s will be deemed to have been waived and/or abandoned and our client shall proceed to complete the proposed transactions.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of the Agricultural Land bearing Old Sy. No. 39/2, New Sy. No. 39/4 situated at Eremgere village, Kodihalli Hobli, Kanakapura Taluk, Ramanagara District, measuring 1 Acre bounded as follows:

EAST BY: Sy. No. 39/3 belongs to VENDOR;
WEST BY: Land belongs to Nagarathnamma;
NORTH BY: Land bearing Sy. No. 39/1;
SOUTH BY: Land belongs to Hosadurga Angad.

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Possession Notice

Whereas: The undersigned being the Authorised Officer of the Canara Bank under Securitisation And Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (Act 54 of 2002) (hereinafter referred to as "the Act") and in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13 (12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002, issued a Demand Notice dated 20/12/2023 Calling upon the borrower **Sri G M Dinesh** AND **Mrs B P Shilpa Shree** to repay the amount mentioned in the notice, being **Rs.48,62,807/-** (Rupees Forty Eight Lakh Sixty Two Thousand Eight Hundred and Seven) within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The borrower having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrower and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him under section 13 (4) of the said Act, read with Rule 8 & 9 of the said Rule on this **22nd April year 2024.**

The borrower in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of Canara Bank for an amount of **Rs.48,78,143/-** (Rupees Forty Eight Lakh Seventy Eight Thousand One Hundred and forty Three)and interest thereon.

The borrower's attention is invited to the provisions of Section 13 (8) of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

Description of the Immovable Property

All that part and parcel of the property consisting of Flat No./Plot No. Site no 20,Bearing Assessment no 38/23 VP Khata No 38/23/20 E Khata 150241514912213967 Dasanapura Gram Panchayath at Gramathana limts at Dasanapura Village, Dasanapura Hobli Bangalore, **Bounded:** On the North by: Pvt Property, On the South by: Site No.19, On the East by : Road, On the West by: Site no 21.

Place:Bangalore
Date: 22.04.2024

Sd/- Authorised Officer
Canara Bank

PUBLIC NOTICE

My clients have entered into an agreement of sale agreeing to purchase vacant site described in the schedule given hereunder from its owner **Smt. Gajra Bai,** aged about 80 years, wife of Sri Kiranrajji Baliya, residing at No.66, 11th Cross, 2nd Phase, Girinagar, Bangalore-560 085. In pursuance of the said sale agreement my clients are now intending to get sale deed from the owner of the schedule property.

If any person or entity has any claim over the schedule property or objections to the proposed sale of the schedule property in favour of my clients, the same may be sent to the under signed with documents within **10 days** from the date of publication of this notice. If no objections are received within the said period, my clients will go ahead to complete the sale transaction in respect of the schedule property deeming that there are no claims or objections to the same.

SCHEDULE

All that piece and parcel of a Vacant site measuring [34.42+34.1]/2 Mts. X [41.77+38.45]/2 Mts. in total measuring 1362.70 Sq. Mts., bearing Municipal Khatha No.2706/380/8/380/9, situated at Gokare Road, Ward No.20, Devanahalli Town, Bangalore Rural District carved out converted land bearing Sy. No.380/8 and 380/9 of Devanahalli Village, Kasaba Hobli, Devanahalli Taluk Bangalore Rural District, bounded on **East by:** Land in Sy. No. [old] 380/1 [new] 380/10, **West by:** Land belongs to Kempanna, **North by:** Road and **South by:** Land belongs to Ramaiah.

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DEMAND NOTICE UNDER SECTION 13(2) OF THE SECURITISATION & RECONSTRUCTION OF FINANCIAL ASSETS AND ENFORCEMENT OF SECURITY INTEREST ACT 2002

You, the under mentioned Borrower/Mortgagor is hereby informed that the company has initiated proceedings against you under the securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act,2002 and that the Notice Under 13(2) of the Act sent to you by Registered Post Ack. Due for Borrower/s has been returned undelivered. Hence, you are hereby called upon to take notice and pay the outstanding loan amount mentioned against the said account with interest accruing there from within 60 days from the date of this publication, failing which the company will proceed against you by exercising its right under Sub-Sec (4) of Section 13 of the Act by enforcing the below mentioned security to realize its dues with interests and costs .It is needles to mention that this notice is addressed to you without prejudice to any other remedy available to the company.

Sl. No.	Loan Account No. & Name and address of the Borrower/s	Loan Amount(s) in Rs.	Date of Demand Notice & Total Amount Outstanding
01.	**Loan Account No's. : HE01BAN00000027182** **Lava Shruthi (Applicant)** No.6, Thimmappa Palya, D Group Layout, Srigandha Kaval Bangalore North Bangalore Karnataka 560091. **Hanchehally Venkataramana Nagesh (Co Applicant)** No.6, Thimmappa Palya, D Group Layout, Srigandha Kaval Bangalore North Bangalore Karnataka 560091. **SRN Garments (Co_Applicant)** No.44, Chikkagolarahatti Bangalore Urbanmagadi Main Road, Bangalore 560091.	**Rs. 50,00,000/-**	**15.04.2024 & Rs. 51,63,041/- as on 15.04.2024 together with interest thereon.**
	Schedule 'B' (Schedule of Property) : All that piece and parcel of the property House No.06, Khatha No.4316, Old Assessment No.23/5, New Assessment No.23/21, Situated At Srigandadakavalu Village, Yeshwanthpura Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, Presently Within The Limits of BBMP, Ward No.129, And Bounded On The: East By: Private Property, West By: 30 Feet Road, North By: Property No.5, South By: Property No.7, Measuring East To West (61 + 56) / 2 Feet And North To South 30 Feet And Along With Building Constructed Thereon, Within The Registration District Of Bangalore And Sub Registration Office.		

Date: 24.04.2024
Place : Bangalore

Sd/- Authorised Officer
Cholamandalam Investment And Finance Company Limited.

Market Watch

MARKET			GOLD			SILVER			FOREX		
114.49	Sensex	73,852.94	₹490	24 carat (10 gm)	₹72,800	₹100	1 kg	₹82,900	Dollar	83.33
34.40	Nifty	22,402.40	₹450	22 carat (10 gm)	₹66,750	₹1	10 gm	₹829	Euro	89.09

Tesla likely to postpone India plan

Carmaker was expected to announce a multi-bn dollar investment till last week in the country

ARSHAD KHAN @ New Delhi

US electric carmaker Tesla will now harness its existing facilities to ramp up production rather than investing in a new manufacturing unit.

This decision by Tesla may put its India plans on hold where the carmaker till last week was expected to announce a multi-billion dollar investment to make affordable electric cars in the country.

"We've updated our future vehicle lineup to accelerate the launch of new models ahead, previously mentioned start of production in the second half of 2025. So, we expect it to be more like the early 2025, if not late this year. These new vehicles, including more affordable models, will use aspects of the next-generation platform as well as aspects of our current platforms, and we'll be able to produce on the same manufacturing lines as our current vehicle lineup," said Tesla CEO Elon Musk on Tuesday in a post earning call.

"So, it's not contingent upon any new factory or massive new production line, it will be made on our current production lines much more efficiently. And we think this should allow us to get to over 3 million vehicles of capacity when realized to the full extent," he added. Lars Moravy, head of Tesla's engineering, further said new manufacturing processes and production lines come with "some risks," and the automaker made a "major shift" to utilise its facilities to build low-cost vehicles in a fast and efficient manner for now. Investors welcomed this cautious approach of Tesla as shares of the company surged 12% during after-hours trading, despite the company's quarterly results falling short of estimates.

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This fuelled rumours that Musk would announce entering into the Indian market, giving a big boost to PM Modi who is contesting for a third term in the ongoing general elections.

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'Inheritance tax a needless debate, not suited for India'

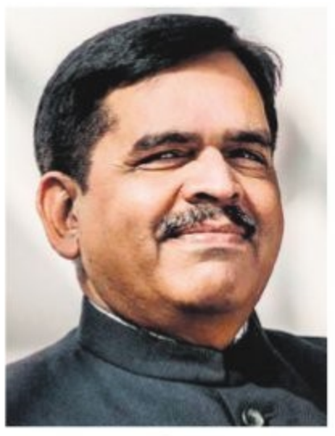
MONIKA YADAV @ New Delhi

ON April 23, Sam Pitroda, Chairman of the Indian Overseas Congress, supported the Congress party's stance on wealth redistribution and proposed implemention of an inheritance tax law in India, drawing on the model in the US. Prime Minister Narendra Modi criticised Pitroda's "inheritance tax" comment, accusing the party of revealing "dangerous intentions" to seize people's assets and rights.

"In America, there is an inheritance tax. If one has $100 million wealth and when he dies, he can only transfer 45% to his children, 55% is grabbed by the government. That's an interesting law. It says you, in your generation, made wealth, and you are leaving now, you must leave your wealth for the public, not all of it, half of it, which to me sounds fair," Pitroda had stated in an interview.

So what is the fuss all about?

Inheritance tax, also called estate tax, is imposed on the total value of money and property left behind by a deceased individual before it is passed on to their legal heirs. This tax is usually determined by considering the value of the assets minus any eligible exemptions or deductions. The main goals of inheritance tax are to raise government revenue and facilitate wealth redistribution.



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In Japan, inheritance tax rate is 55%, among the world's highest, with South Korea at 50%. France follows at 45%, and the UK and US at 40%. These rates showcase diverse global approaches to wealth distribution and taxation. Inheritance tax influences economic policies, social welfare systems, and decisions on wealth transfer and intergenerational equity. In India, there is no tax on inheritance as the Inheritance or Estate Tax was eliminated in 1985.

What are experts saying?

As per Ashwini Mahajan, national co-convenor, Swadeshi Jagran Manch, no party has given any serious thoughts on Inheritance tax. It was Congress which repealed it, and BJP despite being in power for 10 years has not done anything to bring inheritance tax. "The issue needs to be discussed and deliberated," says Mahajan.

As per Sandeep Jhunjhunwala, M&A Tax Partner at Nangia Andersen LLP, such taxes are not suited to India.

"Currently, considering various social, economic and political factors, Corporate and Personal income taxes, including capital gains tax on the direct tax side and GST on indirect tax side have seen a significant surge in the last few years, much beyond the projections and there doesn't seem to be a need to introduce a new tax without an adequate rationale," Nangia said.

Inheritance tax could have major implications on family-owned businesses and could create economic disequilibrium.

RBI curbs on Kotak against adding online customers

BENN KOCHUVEEDAN @ Mumbai

IN a major blow to prominent private sector lender Kotak Mahindra Bank, the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) on Wednesday barred it from onboarding new customers through its online portal and mobile app. The RBI also ordered the bank to stop issuing fresh credit cards, citing "serious deficiencies" in the Mumbai-based lender's IT risk management.

RBI had earlier taken similar actions on others in the lending/payments space. However, this is by far the biggest punitive action on a large commercial bank. The curbs are only on on-boarding new customers via online and mobile modes. The bank can continue to serve its existing customers, RBI clarified.

"Our branches continue to welcome new customers, providing them with all services, apart from issuance of new credit cards," Kotak Mahindra Bank said. It added that it has taken steps to adopt new technologies to strengthen its IT systems and is working with RBI to resolve the pending issues.

In December 2020, RBI had barred HDFC Bank from issuing new cards and launching digital initiatives after red flags were raised about repeated technological outages. The restrictions were later lifted.

Q4FY24 RESULTS

LTIMindtree net profit falls 1.2% to ₹1,100 crore

UMA KANNAN @ Bengaluru

LTIMINDTREE on Wednesday reported a 1.2% decline in net profit for the March quarter at ₹1,100 crore compared to ₹1,114 crore in the year-ago period, missing market expectations. Its revenue from operations stood at Rs 8,893 crore, up 2.3% y-o-y, amid a tough macro environment and clients reducing discretionary tech spending.

The sixth-largest software company's CEO and MD Debashis Chatterjee during the earnings conference said revenue growth will return in Q1FY25 and that growth will be broad-based.

He added that macro issues are still weighing on the overall demand recovery. Its order inflow for the full year stood at $5.6 billion, registering a 15.7% growth over FY23, and EBIT margin stood at 15.7%. Talking about margin, the CEO said as we got into the middle of FY24 we realised that some of the assumptions made were not going the way we wanted because of various macro conditions. Going forward, the company has robust margin plans.

Chatterjee also said that clients' priorities continue to revolve around data transformation and that though the market is still cautious, the company's execution will be better in FY25.

Talking about revenues, he said we had furloughs in Q3, we had gradual reversal of furloughs, which also impacted the overall revenue ramp up and some of the large deals that we had closed, the ramp up was slower than expected, impacting the revenue. Its BFSI vertical, which is its largest revenue driver, fell 6.6% YoY in the March quarter and the CEO said they did have unexpected cancellations of two projects in that client base, resulting in some impact on margin.

Axis Bank profit at ₹7,130 cr on margin uptick, loan sales

BENN KOCHUVEEDAN @ Mumbai

THIRD-LARGEST private sector lender Axis Bank on Wednesday reported a growth in net income at ₹7,130 crore as against a one-time loss of ₹5,728 crore in the year-ago period after it bought out the retail banking unit of Citi India. It reported a 17% growth compared to it booked in the previous quarter, boosted by balanced growth in advances and deposits along with an uptick in margins.

For the full financial year, the city-headquartered lender's consolidated net income soared 160% to ₹24,861 crore from ₹9,580 crore year-on-year, which was also spooked by the Q4 loss last year and the management led by chief executive officer Amitabh Chaudhry attributed the good set of numbers to healthy margins coupled with balanced deposit and loan growth of 13% and 14%, respectively. Analysts lapped up the numbers saying they are above their estimates. Rahul Malani, a research analyst at Sharekhan by BNP Paribas, said, "Axis Bank reported better-than-expected number in Q4 led by better NIMs and higher treasury gains and supporting other numbers too."

The key operational metric of net interest income, which is the income a bank earns from loans after paying for the deposits, clipped at 11% to ₹13,089 crore, which for the full year touched ₹49,894 crore. Interest income grew on the back of higher advances and the margin or net interest margin, it earned, which gained by 5 bps to 4.06% and the fee income grew 23%. Of this, retail fee grew 33%, he said. The bank's balance-sheet grew to ₹14.77 lakh crore by the end of March, of which deposits were at ₹10.68 lakh crore and assets were ₹9.65 lakh crore, a rise from ₹13.17 lakh crore in March 2023.

HUL profit dips 1.53% in Q4 of FY24

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ Mumbai

FMCG major Hindustan Unilever on Wednesday reported a 1.53% fall in consolidated net profit to ₹2,561 crore for the fourth quarter of FY24 on account of deflation due to softening of commodity prices. It had reported a net profit of ₹2,601 crore in the year-ago period, as per a regulatory filing from HUL.

Net sales were almost flat to ₹15,013 crore in the March quarter. While HUL's total expenses were up 1.15% to ₹12,100 crore in the March quarter from ₹11,962 crore a year ago. The total income of HUL during the fourth quarter of the previous fiscal was flat at ₹15,441 crore compared to ₹15,375 crore a year ago.

In the March quarter, the company's gross margin improved 350 bps year-on-year and its advertising and promotional (A&P) investments increased 200 bps as it continued to step up investments on its brands.

RBI increases minimum net owned fund for ARCs to ₹300 cr

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ Mumbai

THE Reserve Bank of India (RBI) on Wednesday issued a master direction to the asset reconstruction companies (ARCs) increasing the minimum net owned fund (NOF) to ₹300 crore from the ₹100 crore now.

An ARC buys non-performing loans or bad assets from banks and financial institutions for a mutually agreeable amount at an upfront payment of 15% and later recover the money from the borrower, thus cleaning up their balance sheets.

The RBI said the higher NOF requirement of ₹300 crore, which will go up on an ongoing basis, is to ensure prudent and efficient functioning of ARCs, which number more than two dozens now, and to protect the interest of investors.

As per the new direction, "to commence business of securitisation or asset reconstruction, an ARC is required to have NOF of ₹300 crore and thereafter, on an ongoing basis. Before commencing the business of securitisation or asset reconstruction, an ARC shall apply for registration and obtain a certificate of registration from the RBI." The directions also state that no ARC shall invest in land or building, except for investment for its own use up to 10 % of its owned funds.

Ultraviolette eyes global leadership in electric motorcycle market in 5 years

ARSHAD KHAN @ New Delhi

BENGALURU-based Ultraviolette Automotive wants to become the global leader in the electric motorcycle market over the next five years, Narayan Subramaniam, CEO & Co-Founder of the company told TNIE in an interaction.

"Not only in India but we are eyeing for leadership all across Europe, North America, South America and parts of Asia. All our products, the F77 and the upcoming ones are going to be disruptive in terms of design technology and performance," said Subramaniam as he launched F77 MACH 2 on Wednesday at Rs 2.99 lakhs.

Currently, the company is the only player which makes performance electric bike in the country. While the market for this niche segment is still small, it is expected to grow exponentially in the next few years due to mass adoption. At present, Ultraviolette sees all the players competing in the 300cc-600cc segment as its competition. The size of this segment is pegged at over 1 lakh units per month.

The co-founder added that the core to achieving a leadership position is to build a great product. "Everything revolves around this and we think we got it right. All the features are top notch and now we have managed to bring the price below the ₹3 lakh mark," he stated.

To support the ambitious goal, Ultraviolette is holding talks with investors to raise fresh capital. "It is a capital-intensive industry. We are in conversation with a few investors. The funding will be used to fast-track our expansion plan," said Subramaniam. Last year, it was reported that the company was looking to raise $120 million. Before this, the company raised over $55 million from big names such as Europe's EXOR Capital, Qualcomm Ventures, TVS Motor and Zoho Corp.

Subramaniam said they will be rolling out 1,000 bikes/month from from Bengaluru facility by the end of this year. From next year, Ultraviolette has plans to do multiple shifts and expand the production facility as well.

Business & Beyond

Roche signs MoU with VinCense for diabetes care in Tamil Nadu

Roche has announced that the company has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with VinCense, a digital health monitoring offering by MedIoTek Health Systems. Under the terms of the agreement, the two companies aim to implement three programmes in Madurai district of Tamil Nadu state -- screening 100,000 individuals over the next two years for diabetes, hypertension, obesity, etc; intervention for uncontrolled diabetes mellitus management; and intervention for tuberculosis - diabetes mellitus co-morbidity management. The partnership will use comprehensive integrated digital health solutions to drive early detection, intervention and care continuum in the state. As per ICMR-INDIAB-17 study by the ICMR, the prevalence of diabetes and other metabolic NCDs in India is a growing concern.

Vedanta Aluminium expedites shift to renewables, deploys biomass for power gen

Vedanta Aluminium, India's largest producer of aluminium, is making its fuel mix more sustainable with the deployment of biomass briquettes for power generation. The company is now utilizing 20 tonnes of biomass briquettes per day at its world-class alumina refinery in Lanjigarh, Odisha. This will help potentially decrease the unit's greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions by more than 10,000 tonnes of CO2 equivalent each year, in addition to reducing its reliance on fossil fuels.

Biswojit Biswal new head of PNB Baleswar Circle

Biswojit Biswal appointed as the new Circle Head of Punjab National Bank for the Baleswar Circle. With an impressive career trajectory, he brings invaluable experience and fresh perspectives to his role. Starting as an Agriculture Officer in 2009, he has succeeded to become one of the youngest Circle Heads of PNB. Prior to this assignment, he was working as the Circle Head of Aurangabad Circle. His journey spans across diverse regions of the country, including Madhya Pradesh, West Bengal, and Bihar, where he gained his skills and expertise. Now, embarking on his first assignment in Odisha, he brings a wealth of knowledge and strategic insight to the Baleswar Circle, covering five major districts such as Balasore, Bhadrak, Jajpur, Keonjhar & Mayurbhanj with 67 branches and substantial business mix of over ₹5,400 Crore.

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SALE NOTICE

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Properties under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8 (6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged to the Secured Creditor, the Physical possession of which has been taken by the the Authorised Officer of **ARM-1 Branch (Earlier Cantonment Branch), Bengaluru of the Canara Bank**, will be sold on **"As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is"** on **15.05.2024 (11.00 AM to 11.30 AM), for recovery of Rs. 6,50,50,805.26/- as on 24.04.2024** with further interest and cost there on due to the **ARM-1 Branch, Bengaluru of Canara Bank** from **1. Mrs. Nikita Patil,** W/o. Mr.Siddharta Patil, H No.78, Swamy Vivekananda Layout, Sagar Road, Shimoga – 577201, **Also residing at** No.684, 5th Cross, North Block, Upkar Layout, Upkar Residency, Bangalore – 560056, **2. Mr. Deepak** C/o.Shankar Rao, S-257, 13th Main, 4th Cross, BEL Layout, Bharath Nagar, Bangalore-560 091, **also residing at** No.36, 4th Cross, Income Tax Layout, BEL Layout, 2nd Stage, Bharat Nagar, Bengaluru-560 091.

The Reserve Price and Earnest Money Deposits details are as under & the Earnest Money Deposit shall be deposited on or before **14.05.2024 at 5.00 pm** by way of DD favouring **Authorized Officer Canara Bank ARM-1 Branch** or through online payment to **Account No.209272434 (IFSC CNRB0002366)**.is as under.

(₹.In Lakhs)

Lot	Description of the immovable assets:	Reserve Price	EMD	Incremental Value
1	Residential Flat bearing No.701, comprising of 3 BHK, in seventh floor of '**PRISTINE VARA**' having Super built up area of 2500 Sq.ft and Carpet area measuring 1665 Sq.ft, and right to use common areas such as passages, lobbies, lifts, staircases and other areas of common usage and one covered car parking space in basement and bounded on: **East:** Private Property; **West:** Private Property; **North:** Road and **South:** Flat No.702.	₹ 325.90	₹ 32.59	₹ 1.00

Known encumbrances, if any: Not to the knowledge of the Bank.

For detailed terms and conditions of the sale please refer the link "E-Auction" provided in Canara Bank's website (www.canarabank.com) or may contact Chief Manager, ARM-1 Branch, Bengaluru, Canara Bank, Mob. No. 9448507473 and 9627872626 during office hours on any working day.

Place: Bengaluru
Date : 24.04.2024

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SALE NOTICE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTY

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8(6) / Rule 9(1) of Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.

Notice is hereby given to public in general and in particular to Borrower(s) and Guarantor(s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the **Constructive Possession** of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of Karnataka Bank Ltd, the Secured Creditor on **22.02.2024**, will be sold on "As is Where is", "As is What is" and "Whatever there is" basis on **29.05.2024**, for total recovery of **Rs.3,66,92,195.00 [Rupees Three Crore Sixty Six Lakhs Ninety Two Thousand One Hundred Ninety Five Only] under OD A/c No. 1137000100012401** along with future interest from **01.04.2024** due to the **Karnataka Bank Ltd – Bengaluru Sanjayanagar Branch**, the Secured Creditor from – **(1) M/s Prasiddhi Properties Private Limited, Represented by its Directors: a) Mr. Subramanya Raju K, b) Mrs. Nalini K, addressed at:** No.2535, 1st Floor, 9th A Cross, 13th Main, E Block, Sahakaranagar, Bengaluru–560092, **Also at:-** No. 383, 5th Main, 11th Cross, Dollars Colony (HIG), RMV II Stage, Bengaluru-560094, **Also at:-** No.2624, 7th Cross, 14th Main, E Block, Sahakaranagar, Bengaluru–560092,**(2) Mr. Subramanya Raju K, S/o Mr. Kondulu Chengamma Raju, (3) Mrs. Nalini K,** W/o Mr. Subramanya Raju K, **No.2 and 3 are R/at :** Flat No.34, Krishna Gardenia Apartment, 5th Main, Dollars Colony, RMV II Stage, Bengaluru–560094, being the borrower/ guarantors/mortgagor.

Reserve Price and Earnest Money Deposits details are as under and the Earnest MoneyDeposit shall be deposited before EMD DATE through online payment to the Account No. details of which are given below or by way of DD favouring Karnataka Bank Ltd.-A/c – M/s. Prasiddhi Properties Pvt. Ltd.",

DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTY

Description of Property	Reserve Price	Earnest Money Deposit	Date & Time of Auction	Branch Name and Account / IFSC Details for Remitting EMD on or before 28/05/2024, 4.00 PM
All that part and parcel of the **Residentially Converted land property bearing Sy. No.27/1, 20/2 & 20/4 admeasuring 149 Guntas** or 3.725 acres or 162261sq.ft i.e land measuring 10 Guntas in Sy.No.27/1, 2 Acres 20 Guntas in Sy.No.20/2 and 39 Guntas in Sy.No.20/4 along with AC sheet roofed building consists of GF & FF constructed in portion of land thereon, situated at Harohalli Village, Yelahanka Hobli, Bengaluru- 560064 **belonging to M/s Prasiddhi Properties Private Limited. Boundaries of the entire property as per Sale Deed /Actual: East By:** Land in Sy. No. 20/3 in KEB Layout/Land in Sy. No. 20/3 in KEB Layout; **West By:** KEB Layout/Road & KEB Layout; **North By:** Land in Sy. No. 21/1, 20/5 & 20/4/ Land in Sy. No. 21/1, 20/5 & 20/4; **South By:** KEB Layout & Remaining portion of Sy. No.27/1/ Vacant Land &Road.	Rs. 20,00,00,000.00 (Rupees Twenty Crore Only)	Rs. 2,00,00,000/- (Rupees Two Crores Only)	29.05.2024 15.00 PM to 15.20 PM	Karnataka Bank Ltd Branch : Bengaluru - Sanjaynagar A/c No. 1133500200004101 IFSC Code - KARB0000113

(The borrower's/mortgagor's attention is invited to the provisions of Sub-section (8) of Section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available to redeem the secured asset).

This Notice shall also serve as Notice under Sub Rule (6) of Rule (8) Sub Rule (1) of Rule (9) of Security Interest Enforcement Rules-2002 to the Borrower/Guarantors)

For detailed terms and conditions of sale, please refer to link in Karnataka Bank's Website i.e. https://karnatakabank.com

The E-auction will be conducted through portal https://www.auctionbazaar.com / on **29.05.2024 from 15.00 PM to 15.20 PM** with unlimited extension of 05 minutes. The intending bidder is required to register their name at https://www.auctionbazaar.com/ and get the user Id and password free of cost and get training i.e. online training on E-auction (tentatively on 28.05.2024) from M/s Auction Bazaar, 7-1-28/1/A/1, Park Avenue 1, Ameerpet, Begumpet, Hyderabad, Secunderabad, Telangana, India – 500016, **Contact No. : 8885035382 / 7799510999 / 8885035332, E-mail : disposal.karnataka@auctionbazaar.com.**

Date: 24.04.2024
Place: Bengaluru

Sd/- Chief Manager & Authorised Officer
Karnataka Bank Ltd.

Bharat Bank

Bharat Co-op. Bank (Mumbai) Ltd
Multi-State Scheduled Bank

Hampankatta: Classic Arcade, K S Rao Road, Near City Center, Hampankatta, Mangalore - 575001.
Ph: 0824-2421076, Email: recovery.karnataka@bharatbank.co.in
Central Office: **(Legal and Recovery) Goregaon (East), Mumbai - 400 063, Tel: 022-61890000/88**

(Demand Notice Under Section 13(2) of SARFAESI Act, 2002

Sir/Madam,

1.Notice is hereby given to the below said borrowers & sureties under Section 13(2) of The Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002. This notice is published in addition to the notice sent to your last known address by Registered A.D. Post. **2.** At your request, Bharat Co-operative Bank (Mumbai) Ltd., amongst it's branch at Malleswaram, Bangalore Branch has sanctioned to you by way of financial assistance against the mortgage of the property described herein below creating security interest thereon , as per terms & condition mentioned in respective Sanction letter by executing necessary loan documents. **3.** You have failed and neglected to pay the loan amount and therefore the said financial assistance/credit facility have become NPA **on 26.01.2024**. Demand Notice dated **13.03.2024** under section 13(2) of The Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 call upon the below borrowers & sureties and the said notice was sent to your last known addresses by Registered Post A.D.This publication is made in addition to the said RPAD. **4.** Therefore, I hereby through this publication call upon you to discharge your entire liabilities in respect of below mentioned loan account within 60 days from the date of publication of this notice and failing which Bank shall exercise all or any of the rights detailed under sub section 4 of section 13 of the aforesaid act and under other applicable provisions of the said Act. **5.** You are also put on notice that in terms of Sub-Section (13) of Section 13, you shall not transfer by sale, lease or otherwise the said secured assets detailed below without obtaining written consent of the said Bank.

6.The said Bank reserves its right to call upon you to repay the entire liabilities under the said Loan Account that may arise hereafter as well as other contingent liabilities. **7.** This notice is without prejudice to the said Bank's right to initiate such other actions and/or legal proceedings as it deems necessary under any other applicable provisions of Law. You are liable to pay service charges/cost/expenses, if any for actions under the said Act as applicable. **8.** You are free to take inspection of the statement of account maintained by the said Bank and the loan documents executed by you relating to your Loan Account. **9.** The said borrowers in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the said property and any dealings with the said property will be subject to the charge of Bharat Co-operative Bank (Mumbai) Ltd. **10.** For more details you may collect the unserved Demand Notice dated 13.03.2024 from the office of the undersigned. **11.** Please note that the borrower's attention is invited to provisions of sub-section (8) of section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets

Name & Address of the Borrowers / Sureties	i) Date of Demand Notice & ii) Loan A/c. No. / Outstanding Amount	Description of the Mortgaged property
Principal Borrower: **1. Mr. Thippeswamy C M,** S/o.Mr.Chindigowda Mallappa **Joint/Co-Borrower:** **2. Mrs. Suma C T** W/o.Mr.Thippeswamy C M Both residing at: No.52,4th cross, Kadambanagra, Thigalarapalya, Peenya II stage, Peenya small Industries, Bengaluru-560058. **Surety:** **3. Mr.Shantha Reddy V** S/o.Mr. Virupakshappa, No.53,Gavigutte Road, Sanjeevini Layout, Dasanapura Hobli, Lakshmipura, Bengaluru-562 123. (Under Housing Loan A/c No. 002233330000084) **4. Mr.Dayananda H S** S/o.Mr.Siddalingappa No.17/27, 3rd Main, 8th Cross, 2nd Block, Nandini Layout, Bangalore North, Bangalore-560096. (Under Griha Shobha Loan A/c No. 002233370065126)	**i) 13.03.2024** **(ii) Rs.28,86,123.90 as on 27.02.2024 under Housing Loan Account No.002233330000084 together with further interest @ 8.85% per annum + penal interest @ 2% per annum thereon with effect from 28.02.2024 and Rs.4,73,727/- as on 29.02.2024 under Griha Shobha Loan Account No.002233370065126 together with further interest @12.90% per annum + penal interest @ 2% per annum thereon with effect from 01.03.2024**	All that piece and Parcel of the Residential Property bearing **Site No.52,** (Southern portion), Khatha No.4401(Old No.105), Assessment No.100, Karivobanahalli Village, Yeshwanthpur Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, measuring East to West : **30-00 Feet** and North to South: **20-00 Feet** totally admeasuring **600 sq.ft** along with Residential building consisting of Ground Floor, First Floor & Second Floor totally measuring 1560 sq.ft constructed thereon and bounded by: **East by : Property No.48, West by : Road, North by : Northern portion of the property bearing No.52, South by : Site bearing No.53**

Place : Bangalore
Date : 25-04-2024

Sd/- **Chief Manager and Authorised Officer**
Bharat Co-operative Bank (Mumbai) Ltd.

RAIL WHEEL FACTORY

Yelahanka, BANGALORE - 560 064 Website: www.rwf.indianrailways.gov.in.

TENDER NOTICE NO.RWF/S/P1/001/2024-25 dt.22.04.24

On behalf of the President of India, Principal Chief Materials Manager invites electronic Tenders from Interested Vendors for supply of the following items on the Indian Railways E-Portal – www.ireps.gov.in. The Tender documents and the Corrigenda to the Tenders, if any, will be available on the Portal only.

Sl	Tender No.	Due date	Short description & Qty.
1	P1232304C	15-05-24	Inserts LNUX 38 X 22 X 40 P -30 to P-40 (Developmental Tender). **Qty.:** 1000 Nos.
2	P1241318	15-05-24	Coated Inserts for Re-centering SEFAS 3.42807R001, suitable for chamfering tool holder 3.3712OR732. Make: Kennametal OR Sandivik OR SECO. **Qty.:** 2970 Nos
Global Tender:			
1	P1232299	10-06-24	Graphite Mould Blanks 48.2" X 22.6" as per RWF specification. **Qty.:** 1170 Nos

Principal Chief Materials Manager

DOCUMENT LOST

I Aruna Kumari would like inform the General public that I have misplaced **my original Lease cum sale Deed Document bearing No 3778 - 89/90 registered at Bangalore North sub registrar office.** If anyone finds it, please contact me at **9880311657** within **15 days** from the date of issue of this Ad.

यूनियन बैंक Union Bank of India

Asset Recovery Branch, Bangalore North No.635 C (New No.25/2), 1st Main Road, E Block, 2nd Stage, Rajaji Nagar, Dr Rajkumar Road, Bengaluru – 560 010.

E-AUCTION SALE NOTICE

E-Auction Sale Notice for 15 days Sale of immovable Assets under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to rule 8 (6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rule, 2002

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower(s) and Guarantor(s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the Symbolic Possession which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of Union Bank of India (secured Creditor) will be sold on **" As is where is", " As is what is " and " whatever there is"** on the date mentioned below, for recovery of dues as mentioned hereunder to Union bank of India from the below mentioned Borrowers and Guarantors. The Reserve Price and the Earnest Money Deposit are also mentioned hereunder:

1. Branch : Asset Recovery Branch, Bangalore North : Name and address of the Borrower, Co-Applicant and Guarantor: Borrower: (1) Mr.E.Chandrashekar S/o Eashwaraiah, **(2) Mrs.S.Krishnaveni** W/o Mr.E. Chandrashekar, both having address at No.2761, 8th G Cross,14th Main Road, Attiguppe, RPC Layout, Vijayanagar 2nd Stage, Bangalore-560040.
Amount due: Rs.66,97,208.00 (Rupees Sixty Six Lakh Ninety seven Thousand Two Hundred and Eight only) as on **31/01/2024** together with further interest and charges.

Description of Property : All that part and parcel of immovable property (House) bearing new Municipal No.12 ,Old No.2761,Situated at 8th G Cross, RPC Layout, Attiguppe, PID No.40-18-12, New PID No.132-W0297-19,Ward No.40,Bangalore-560040, measuring East to West 25 feet and North to South 20 feet,totally measuring 500 Sq.Feet and bounded on: On the North by : Property bearing No.2762, On the South by : Property bearing No.2760, On the East by : Property bearing No.2767, On the West by : Road.

Reserve Price : Rs. 51,00,000/- EMD : Rs.5,10,000/- Bid Multiplier : Rs.1,00,000/-
Type of Possession : Physical Possession

2. Branch : Asset Recovery Branch, Bangalore North : Name and address of the Borrower, Co-Applicant and Guarantor: Borrower: (1) M/S Rohini Silks And Sarees, Prop.Mr.M Sendil Kumar, 1st Floor,Renuka Building,A M Lane, Chickpet Cross, Bangalore-560053, **1(a) Mr.Sendil Kumar,** S/o Sri. M Mohan, No.26, B Street, 2nd Main, New Guddadahalli, Mysore Road, Bangalore-560026.
Amount due: Rs.97,43,872/- (Rupees Ninety Seven Lakh Forty Three Thousand Eight Hundred and seventy Two only) as on **29/02/2024** together with further interest and charges.

Description of Property : All that piece and parcel of the Immovable Property bearing Site No.17,measuring 3855.60 sq.ft. formed in Layout called 'GPR ROYALE' residential converted Land Katha No.60/09/17,formed in Sy.No.60/9 to 60/14 situated within the limits of Hebbagodi Village, Hebbagodi Gram Panchayat, Attibele Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore Rural District now comes under the jurisdiction of Bruhat Bangalore Mahanagara Palike,Bangalore in the name of Sendil Kumar and bounded on the East by : Plot No.18, West by : 30 ft.Road, North by : Plot No.16, South by : 30 ft.Road.

Reserve Price : Rs.1,81,00,000/- EMD : Rs.18,10,000/- Bid Multiplier : Rs.2,00,000/-
Type of Possession : Symbolic Possession

The details of encumbrances, if any known to the Secured Creditor : Nil. However the interested bidders are requested to verify the EC & other relevant Documents at their end before bidding for the property/ies in the proposed e-auction. Date of Sale Notice : 25.04.2024
Account bearing Number 800001980050000 A/C Name : Inward RTGS IFSC Code : UBIN0580007
Name of the Contact Person & Chief Managar, Mr. Moorthi.V, Contact No. 9003223669, Senior Manager - Ms.Saritha C Breezevilla, Contact No.9447200556

Last date of EMD submission:
On or before the commencement of e-auction
Date & Time of E-auction: 14.05.2024 (Tuesday)
from 11.00 A.M to 5.00 P.M with 10 min unlimited auto extensions

Note: (1) The intending purchaser required to register through https://www.mstcecommerce.com/auctionhome/ibapi/index.jsp The amount of EMD (10%) should be paid through the Website www.mstcecommerce.com and the balance amount of sale price should be paid through the Account Number mentioned in the Sale Notice. For detailed terms and conditions of the sale, please refer to the link provided as mentioned below banks website and e-auction agent website. Digital Signature is not mandatory.

www.unionbankofindia.co.in | www.mstcecommerce.com.

Place: Bangalore
Date: 24.04.2024

Sd/- Authorised Officer
Union Bank of India.

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भारत सरकार का उपक्रम
A Government of India Undertaking

Asset Recovery Branch, Bangalore North No.635 C (New No.25/2), 1st Main Road, E Block, 2nd Stage, Rajaji Nagar, Dr Rajkumar Road, Bengaluru – 560 010. Mail Id: arb.bengalurunorth@unionbankofindia.bank, mobile: 9003223669

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E-Auction Sale Notice for 15 days Sale of immovable Assets under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to rule 8 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rule, 2002

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower(s) and Guarantor(s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the Symbolic Possession which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of Union Bank of India (secured Creditor) will be sold on **" As is where is", " As is what is " and " whatever there is"** on the date mentioned below, for recovery of dues as mentioned hereunder to Union bank of India from the below mentioned Borrowers and Guarantors. The Reserve Price and the Earnest Money Deposit are also mentioned hereunder:

1. Branch : Asset Recovery Branch, Bangalore North : Name and address of the Borrower, Co-Applicant and Guarantor: 1(A). M/S A V Infostructure, Prop. Mr Vijay Kumar R, No:192 ,12th Block, 1st Main, Nagarabhavi, Bangalore 560072. **1(B) Mr Vijay Kumar R,** S/o S Y Ramesh, No.5/34, Byatarayanapura, Near Traffic Police Station, 5th Cross, Bangalore 560026. **(2) Guarantor : Mrs Tejashwini K,** No.5/34 Byatarayanapura, Near Traffic Police Station, 5th Cross, Bangalore 560026.
Amount due: Rs.3,62,01,986.14 (Rupees Three Crore Sixty Two Lakh One Thousand Nine Hundred Eighty Six and Fourteen Paise only) as on interest debited till **31.03.2024** + Future interest + Other expenses.

Description of Property : SCHEDULE "A" PROPERTY (1 to 6) : All the below mentioned properties numbered 1 to 6 formed out of the land measuring 3 acres 20 guntas in Sy.No.30/1A1A3 (Old Sy No.30/1A1A formerly 30/P5,being a portion of survey no.30) situated at Chikkanagamangala Village,Sarjapura Hobli,Anekal Taluk,Bengaluru Distrct bounded on : East by : Property in Sy No 29 and Panchayath Road, West by : Property in Sy No 30/1A1A1, North by : Property in Sy No 29, South by : Property in Sy No 30/1A1A2.

SCHEDULE "B" PROPERTY : Property No.1 : In respect of residential flat owned by Mr.Vijaya Kumar R bearing No.1B08, in Block'B', 1st Floor in apartment' SHANDER DWELLINGTON' measuring 875 Sq.feet of super built up area with one car parking 1B08 along with the undivided share of common areas of 324 Sq.feet and the undivided share in the land comprised in the SCHEDULE 'A' PROPERTY bounded by : East By : Open Space & Block C, West By : Passage & Flat 1B03, North By : Open To Sky & 1B07, South By : Open To sky & 1B09.

Property No.2 : In respect of residential flat owned by Mr.Vijaya Kumar R bearing no.1E07, in Block'E', 1st Floor in apartment 'SHANDER DWELLINGTON' measuring 875 Sq.feet of super built up area with one car parking 1E07 along with the undivided share of common areas of 324 Sq.feet and the undivided share in the land comprised in the SCHEDULE 'A' PROPERTY bounded by : East By : Open Space & Block F, West By : Passage & 1E04, North By : Stair case, South By : Open To Sky & 1E08.

Property No.3 : In respect of residential flat owned by Mr.Vijaya Kumar R bearing no.1E08, in Block'E', 1st Floor in apartment 'SHANDER DWELLINGTON' measuring 875 Sq.feet of super built up area with one car parking 1E08 along with the undivided share of common areas of 324 Sq.feet and the undivided share in the land comprised in the SCHEDULE 'A' PROPERTY bounded by : East By : Open Space & Block F, West By : Passage & 1E03, North By : Open To Sky & 1E07, South By : Open To Sky & 1E09.

Property No.4 : In respect of residential flat owned by Mr.Vijaya Kumar R bearing no.1F04, in Block'F',1st Floor in apartment'SHANDER DWELLINGTON' measuring 875 Sq.feet of super built up area with one car parking 1F04 along with the undivided share of common areas of 324 Sq.feet and the undivided share in the land comprised in the SCHEDULE 'A' PROPERTY bounded by : East By : Passage & 1F07, West By : Open space & Block E, North By : Lift, South By : Open To Sky & 1F03.

Property No.5 : In respect of residential flat owned by Mr.Vijaya Kumar R bearing no.1F07, in Block'F', 1st Floor in apartment 'SHANDER DWELLINGTON' measuring 875 Sq.feet of super built up area with one car parking 1F07 along with the undivided share of common areas of 324 Sq.feet and the undivided share in the land comprised in the SCHEDULE 'A' PROPERTY bounded by : East By :Open space, West By :Passage & 1F04, North By :Staircase, South By :Open to Sky & 1F08.

Property No.6 : In respect of residential flat owned by Mr.Vijaya Kumar R bearing no.1F08, in Block'F', 1st Floor in apartment 'SHANDER DWELLINGTON', measuring 875 Sq.feet of super built up area with one car parking 1F08 along with the undivided share of common areas of 324 Sq.feet and the undivided share in the land comprised in the SCHEDULE 'A' PROPERTY bounded by : East By :Open Space, West By :Passage & 1F03, North By :Open To Sky & 1F07, South By :Open To Sky & 1F09.

Property No.7 : All that piece and parcel of the immovable property owned by Mr.Vijaya Kumar R bearing corporation no.5/34 (Old No.25/3,renumbered as 5/1,subsequently assigned No.5/A),5th Cross, Byatarayanapura, Gali Anjaneya Temple Road, Bangalore, within the Revenue Administrative jurisdiction of Bruhat Bangalore Mahanagara Palike together with the building thereon comprising of Ground, First and second Floor site measuring: East to West : 32 ft, North to South : (45+35)/2 ft, On the Eastern side : 45 ft, On the Western side : 35 ft, Total area :1280 square ft. And bounded as follows: East By : Private Property, West By : Private Property, North By : Private Property, South By : Road.

Reserve Price	EMD	Bid Multiplier
Property 1: Rs.34,00,000/-	Rs.3,40,000/-	Rs.1,00,000/-
Property 2: Rs.31,00,000/-	Rs.3,10,000/-	Rs.1,00,000/-
Property 3: Rs.31,00,000/-	Rs.3,10,000/-	Rs.1,00,000/-
Property 4: Rs.34,00,000/-	Rs.3,40,000/-	Rs.1,00,000/-
Property 5: Rs.31,00,000/-	Rs.3,10,000/-	Rs.1,00,000/-
Property 6 : Rs.31,00,000/-	Rs.3,10,000/-	Rs.1,00,000/-
Property 7 : Rs.1,33,00,000/-	Rs.13,30,000/-	Rs.2,00,000/-

Type of Possession : Symbolic Possession

There is an encumbrance on the property No.2, 3, 5 and 6 and NIL encumbrance for the property no.1, 4 and 7. However the interested bidders are requested to verify the EC & other relevant Documents at their end before bidding for the property/ies in the proposed e-auction. Date of Sale Notice : 24.04.2024
Account bearing Number 800001980050000 A/C Name : Inward RTGS IFSC Code : UBIN0580007
Name of the Contact Person & Contact No. Chief Manager Mr. Moorthi.V, Contact No. 9003223669, Senior Manager - Ms. Ponni. S Contact No.6379023691

Last date of EMD submission:
On or before the commencement of e-auction
Date & Time of E-auction: 14.05.2024 (Tuesday)
from 11.00 A.M to 5.00 P.M with 10 min unlimited auto extensions

Note: (1) The intending purchaser required to register through https://www.mstcecommerce.com/auctionhome/ibapi/index.jsp The amount of EMD (10%) should be paid through the Website www.mstcecommerce.com and the balance amount of sale price should be paid through the Account Number mentioned in the Sale Notice. For detailed terms and conditions of the sale, please refer to the link provided as mentioned below banks website and e-auction agent website. Digital Signature is not mandatory.

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Place: Bangalore
Date: 24.04.2024

Sd/- Authorised Officer
Union Bank of India.

केनरा बैंक Canara Bank

R R Nagar BEML Layout Branch (10655)
No. 1144 Dhruva Plaza Nehru Road, BEML Layout, III Stage Rajarajeshwari Nagar, Bangalore - 560 098, Ph : 9449862661, Email : cb10655@canarabank.com

Possession Notice

Whereas: The undersigned being the Authorised Officer of the Canara Bank under Securitisation And Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (Act 54 of 2002) (hereinafter referred to as "the Act") and in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13 (12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002, issued a Demand Notice dated 05.01.2024 Calling upon the borrower **Sri Franscis Xaver A T** to repay the amount mentioned in the notice, being **Rs.2796218.23** (Rupees Twenty Seven Lakh Ninety Six Thousand Two Hundred and Eighteen and Paise Twenty Three Only) within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The borrower having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrower and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him under section 13 (4) of the said Act, read with Rule 8 & 9 of the said Rule on this **19th day of April year 2024.**

The borrower in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of Canara Bank for an amount of **Rs.2796218.23** and interest thereon.

The borrower's attention is invited to the provisions of Section 13 (8) of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

Description of the Immovable Property

All that piece and parcel of immovable property bearing Site No. 5, formed in converted land bearing Sy. No. 240/4 earlier No. 240, of Halagevaderahalli Village, Kengeri Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, now BBMP Khata No. 1037/1 (240/3)/240/4/5, Halagevaderahalli, Rajarajeshwari Nagar, Bangalore, measuring East to West 52 ft and North to South 24 ft. in all measuring 1248 sq.ft. and bounded on the East by : Road, West by :Western portion in same Sy. No. 240/4 belonging to Mahesh B. R., North by : Land in Sy. No. 240/7, South by : Land in Sy. No. 240/5.

Place:Bangalore
Date: 19.04.2024

Sd/-
Authorised Officer
Canara Bank

TMB Tamilnad Mercantile Bank Ltd

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HEBBAGODI BRANCH
No. 55, R.S. Tower, First Floor, Hosur Main Road, Hebbagodi, Bengaluru - 560 099
Phone No. 080-27831268 & Mobile: 09740091997

APPENDIX IV-A [See proviso to rule 8(6) and 9(1)]
Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Properties

Auction Sale Notice for sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8(6) and 9(1) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower and the Guarantor that the below described immovable property mortgaged/ charged to the Secured Creditor, the constructive/physical possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of **Tamilnad Mercantile Bank Ltd., Hebbagodi Branch,** Secured Creditor, will be sold on "As is where is", "As is what is" and "Whatever there is" on **20.05.2024 at 1.00 P.M** for recovery of **Rs. 41,05,016.00/-** (Rupees Forty One Lakh Five Thousand and Sixteen Only) as on 18.04.2024 with further interest from 01.04.2024 and expenses due to **Tamilnad Mercantile Bank Limited, Hebbagodi Branch** from the Borrower, M/s. S.S. Traders, No. 81, Ground Floor, 4th Cross, R.K. Lakeview Layout, Bommasandra, Bengaluru-560099 and its **Managing Partner/ Guarantor : Mr. C. Rithik Shekar,** S/o. Mr. M.S. Chandra Sekar, RK City No. 08, Kanchanayakana Halli, Hennagara Post, Anekal Taluk, Hebbagodi, Bengaluru Rural District–560105 and its **Partner/Guarantor/ Mortgagor : Mr. T. Srinivasa,** S/o. Mr. Thimmaiah, Door No. 2203/65 New D.No. D-10 1st Cross, Medhar Block, Devaraja Mohalla, Mysore Bamboo Bazar, Mysuru- 570001.

The Reserve Price will be Rs. **73,50,000/-** (Rupees Seventy Three Lakh Fifty Thousand only) and the earnest money deposit will be Rs. **7,35,000/-** (Rupees Seven Lakh Thirty Five Thousand Only).

Place of submission of EMD and Auction	**Tamilnad Mercantile Bank Limited, Mysuru Branch,** Door No. 331, N.S.Road, Devaraja Mohalla, Mysuru-570 001.
Date and Time of Auction Sale	**20.05.2024 at 1.00 P.M**
Reserve Price (Upset Price)	**Rs. 73,50,000/-** (Rupees Seventy Three Lakh Fifty Thousand only

SCHEDULE OF PROPERTY : Land to the extent of 1750 sq.ft situated at Property Site No.92, Corporation Door No.2203/65, New Door No.D-10, Medhar Block, Devaraja Mohalla, Mysuru and residential building constructed thereat including all amenities standing in the name of Mr. T. Srinivasa, S/o. Thimmaiah. **Boundaries : North :** Property No. 91, **South :** Property No. 93, **East :** MUDA Land, **West :** Road.

Note: 1. The Borrower/ Mortgagor Mr.T. Srinivasa has executed a Gift Deed in favour of his wife Mrs.T.Mangala vide Document No.7465/2023-24 dated 21.11.2023. As our bank is having prior mortgage charge over the mortgaged property, we have brought the property for sale.

2. Mrs.T.Mangala wife of Mr.T.Srinivasa, has filed maintenance petition before the Hon'ble Principal Civil Judge and JMFC Court, Mysuru in C.Mis.No.533/2022 seeking interim order over the mortgaged property. As, we are having first mortgage charge over the mortgaged property and there is no interim order of stay/injunction in the said petition over the mortgage property, we have brought the property for auction sale.

For detailed terms and conditions of the sale, please refer to the link provided in secured creditors website **(www.tmb.in)**.

Place: Bengaluru
Date: 23.04.2024

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SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES
APPENDIX IV-A [See proviso to rule 8(6) and 9(1)]

Auction Sale Notice for sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8(6) & 9(1) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower, Partners and Guarantors that the below described immovable properties mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the constructive/ physical possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of **Tamilnad Mercantile Bank Ltd., Bangalore City Branch,** Secured Creditor, will be sold on "As is where is", "As is what is" and "Whatever there is" on **22.05.2024 at 1.00 P.M** for recovery of **Rs. 3,90,02,195.39** (Rupees Three Crores Ninety Lakh Two Thousand One Hundred Ninety Five and paise Thirty Nine only) **{i.e.,Rs. 3,24,04,475.10 in Cash Credit & Rs. 65,97,720.29 in Term Loan (GECL)} as on 31.03.2024** due to **Tamilnad Mercantile Bank Limited, Bangalore City Branch** from the **borrower, M/s. Radhabai Associates,** represented by its partners, having office at No.3/8-1, Mylasandra Village, Kengeri Hobli, Bengaluru, **Partners cum Guarantors, Mr. R. Devasenapathi, Mr. R. Kulbhushan Pandian** and the **Guarantor : Mr. A. S. Rajagopalan,** all are residing at No. 646, 7th Cross, 4th Main, 4th Stage, BEML Layout, R.R. Nagar, Bengaluru & the **Guarantor Mr. N. Sundaresan,** C/o. Saravanakumar .B, S-4, Mana Cadeo,11, D' Silva Layout, 6th Cross, White field, Bangalore-560066.

The Reserve Price for property will be the **Rs. 90,90,000** and the earnest money deposit will be **Rs. 9,09,000/-** for both the properties. The auction sale will be held for both the properties together with.

Place of Submission of EMD and Auction	**Tamilnad Mercantile Bank Ltd. Bangalore City Branch** 19 F, Abhinay Theater Complex, BVK Iyengar Road, Bengaluru - 560009.
Date and Time of Auction Sale	**22.05.2024, at 1.00 P.M**
Upset Price Price (Upset Price) for Property No.1 and 2 together with	**Rs. 90,90,000/- (Rupees Twenty Six Lakh and Fifty Four Thousand only)**

SCHEDULE OF PROPERTY

Property No. 1 : Vacant residential site to the extent of 1200 sq.ft bearing Site No.87, Pattanagere CMC Khatha Old No.479, New No. 69, formed in Sy No.67 at Halagevaderahalli, Kengeri Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, Bangalore standing in the names of **Mr. R. Devasenapathi and Mr. R. Kulbhushan Pandian. Boundaries: North :** Site No. 99, **South:** Road, **East :** Remaining portion of the same property, **West :** Site No. 88.

Property No. 2 : Vacant residential site to the extent of 1200 sq.ft bearing Site No.88, Pattanagere CMC Khatha Old No.479, New No.69, formed in Sy No.67 Halagevaderahalli, Kengeri Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, Bangalore standing in the names of Mr. R. Devasenapathi and Mr. R. Kulbhushan Pandian. **Boundaries : North :** Site No. 99, **South:** Road, **East :** Site No. 87, **West :** Site No. 89

Note: There are some court attachments/injunction/status Quo orders which have been recorded by some Sub Registrar Offices at Bangalore in the above said properties based on the orders passed by the Principle City Civil Court and Sessions Judge, Bangalore in some Civil Suits filed by third parties by disputing the Survey numbers of the mortgaged Plots. The suit number details related to such entries in the SRO are O.S.No.9295/2013, O.S.No. 845/2016, O.S.No. 2212/2014, O.S.No. 420/2011, O.S.No. 800/2016 and O.S.No.26143/2020. Since our Bank is a secured creditor and also we are having the mortgage charge over the said properties, we have brought these properties for auction sale.

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Place: Bengaluru
Date: 23.04.2024

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Rafa will only play French Open if he can 'compete well'

Rafael Nadal said he will only play at the French Open if he feels "capable enough to compete well". "I don't know what's going to happen in the next three weeks. I will keep fighting and doing the things I believe I have to do so I can try to play in Paris, and if I can play, I play, if I can't, I can't," the he told reporters at the Madrid Open on Wednesday.

All-rounder says he thrives playing under pressure, credits captain Cummins for SRH's freedom

NITISH RISING TO THE OCCASION

ASHOK VENUGOPAL @Chennai

ANDHRA'S Nitish Kumar Reddy is one of the finds for Sunrisers Hyderabad this IPL season. A fast bowling all-rounder for his state, Nitish has been giving a good account of himself with both bat and ball for the franchise. His cameos with the bat and ability to take a couple of wickets at crucial junctures have helped the Pat Cummins-led side win matches.

The then chairman of the national junior selection committee, Aashish Kapoor, was all praise for the youngster while talking to this daily in 2020. Although he played a couple of games in the last edition, he did not the opportunity to bat. This year Nitish is making the best use of the opportunities he has been getting with both bat and ball. His half-century against Punjab Kings at the Maharaja Yadavindra Singh International Cricket Stadium in Mullanpur set up the game for Hyderabad and since then he has been contributing in almost every match for his side.

"It feels really good to be contributing to the team's cause. I am happier when the team wins," said Nitish in an exclusive chat with this daily.

Everyone knows about Nitish the bowler, but his prowess with the willow has surprised many. "I can bat and bowl in equal measure. Before also I used to be a good batter, but I didn't get the chance to prove myself. Now I am getting a chance, maybe that's why I'm proving my worth as a batter," said the shy youngster.

"Aashish sir had told me to learn to bat at No 5 and No 6. He told me I needed to adapt and gain experience batting in the middle order if I wish to play at a higher level. I worked on that with my coach CD Thomson," added Nitish.

Nitish Kumar Reddy has shown his ability with the willow this season | AP

Last year, SRH had a forgettable season but they look a formidable unit this season under the new captain Pat Cummins. Given their show so far, the team is expected to make it to playoffs which in turn can put pressure on the players. "I enjoy playing under pressure. It propels me to give my best. Last year I got to play two games, but I did not get a chance to bat. Since I got a chance to bowl, people thought that I was only a bowler. After that I felt like, let's wait for a chance to bat and perform when I get one. So this year I got a good chance to bat and I didn't want to waste the opportunity. And I was like, now you can see how it (batting) is going," revealed the lanky all-rounder.

Playing along with one of the best bowlers in the world like Cummins can be a rewarding experience for a young lad. "He (Cummins) is one of the best bowlers in the world. I learnt from him how to keep things simple. He's not a guy who thinks a lot. He just works on his routines and all that. He asks us to to bowl according to wickets, and conditions and not worry too much about the batter. In other words, he wants us to have self-belief in our abilities," said Nitish.

Cummins has been leading by example which is one of the reasons why SRH have made a remarkable turnaround from the previous seasons. "He's cool, so calm. And he just wants to make sure that everyone is in a good frame of mind. He ensures that everyone is cool and not in any undue pressure. He wants us to enjoy and express ourselves," revealed Nitish.

So has Nitish made any adjustments to his batting this season? "I go in with a calm mind, I just think about the process and the situation. I want to bat effectively. So I have changed my practice routines where I get to practice everything, including power hitting. Yes, I have also been working on the downswing in my batting. So the idea is to bat as per the situation and the need of the team, not just whack a couple of boundaries and get out," he insisted.

Full story: newindianexpress.com

SRH look to maintain red-hot run

Batting records could be on the agenda again as Hyderabad, the league's form team having won four on the bounce, face Bengaluru, the current wooden spoon holders. A look...

BACK TO HOME COMFORTS

The last time they played a game at home, it was the first week of April. Since then, on their travels, they have emerged as the great entertainers having breached scores in excess of 250 twice in three matches.

BENGALURU BOWLERS AND OLD WOUNDS

On one of Hyderabad's travels, Travis Head, Abhishek Sharma and Heinrich Klaasen went crazy at the M Chinnaswamy Stadium. They set the highest score in the history of the IPL. Could Hyderabad batters go six crazy again.

SIRAJ VS HEAD

Mohammed Siraj returns to familiar environs hoping to reverse a worrying start to the season (five wickets in eight games and ineffective in the powerplay). His battle against the Australian could have a huge bearing on the kind of score the hosts end up with.

Sunrisers Hyderabad vs Royal Challengers Bengaluru

Live on Star Sports and Jio Cinema, 7.30 PM

Pant doing what Pant does best

SWAROOP SWAMINATHAN @Chennai

ON the evidence of the Indian Premier League's first month, Rishabh Pant will be on the flight when India departs for the T20 World Cup late next month. The wicketkeeper-batter, who survived a horrific car crash before undertaking a painstaking rehab spanning the entirety of 2023, has lost none of his mojo, be it behind the stumps or in front.

If the first eight matches were a glimpse of Pant from 2022 and beyond, his ninth, against Gujarat Titans, was the full-length film. It was the Pant vast swathes of the cricketing public had fallen in love with. It was the Pant whose devil-may-care strokeplay had brought with it a sense of hedonism that grated some of the purists. It was, in short, liquid Pant. Deja vu and jamais vu at the same time.

He played some of his greatest hits as the visiting bowlers wilted in the face of a thrilling late assault. In the end, he finished with a 43-ball 88 to help Delhi finish with 224.

The two important things, power-hitting coaches always say, is the base and balance of the batter. Pant has never believed in that but he elevated that to art on Wednesday. You wouldn't find it in any coaching manual but you don't need to.

Pant is an outlier as far as power-hitting goes and he once again showed why; it's all about the hands, a swivel of the hips and the extension of the hands to reach out to wide deliveries outside the off stump before somehow generating enough power to access areas in front as well as behind square on the off-side. There was even the off-balance, falling over shot for four.

M	9
Runs	342 (3rd highest)
S/R	161.32
4s	27
6s	21 (5th best)

Rishabh Pant hit an unbeaten 88 off 43 balls to help DC cross 200-run mark | AP

It wasn't just that Pant finished with a S/R of 204 that would have pleased the Indian management. What would have pleased them is the way he made them. He stuck it out at the beginning as the hosts were in an icky spot even before the end of the powerplay.

So, he had to bide his time while Axar Patel, who had earned a promotion, looked to be the aggressor. His first 12 runs came off 10 balls before he opened up ever so slightly against Noor Ahmad as he clattered a slog sweep over cow corner.

Twelve off 10 became 34 off 26; on a decent surface with lots of resources left in the bank, it was time for the skipper to explode to convert this start. It meant Mohit Sharma's third over — the start of the last five overs — was identified to turn the screws. He greeted the opening ball with a powerful hit over deep widwicket. Off the fifth ball, Pant's displayed his power again as he scooped a full length, slower ball over long off. A flick had been switched. With Tristan Stubbs going big against Sai Kishore, the 26-year-old reserved the best for the last. His sequence went 2, 6, 4, 6, 6, 6 as he found boundaries all round the wicket.

As a massive point of difference — a southpaw who keeps wickets while batting in the second phase of the innings — he was always going to be on the flight as long as he had proved his fitness. With three fifties in nine innings and in fine boundary-hitting form, he has done just that. **Brief scores:** DC 224/4 in 20 ovs (Axar 66, Rishabh 88 n.o; Warrier 3/15) **bt** GT 220/8 in 20 ovs (Sai Sudharsan 65, Miller 55).

Teams	P	W	L	Pts	NRR
RR	8	7	1	14	0.698
KKR	7	5	2	10	1.206
SRH	7	5	2	10	0.914
LSG	8	5	3	10	0.148
CSK	8	4	4	8	0.415
DC	9	4	5	8	-0.386
GT	9	4	5	8	-0.974
MI	8	3	5	6	-0.227
PBKS	8	2	6	4	-0.292
RCB	8	1	7	2	-1.046

Updated till DC vs GT match

EXPRESS READ

Sreeshankar undergoes knee surgery in Doha

NEW DELHI: Long jumper Murali Sreeshankar has undergone a surgery on his injured knee that ruled him out of the Paris Olympics. The 25-year-old did the surgery in Doha. "The surgery was successful under Dr. Bruno Olory at the Aspetar Hospital, Doha. Thank you everyone for all your love and blessings during this tough phase. 18 hours post surgery and I am already walking," wrote Sreeshankar on *Instagram*. Dr Olory is a French orthopaedic surgeon.

Camp for football team in Bhubaneswar

NEW DELHI: The Indian football team will have a four-week preparatory camp in Bhubaneswar starting May 10, ahead of its crucial second round FIFA World Cup 2026 qualifiers matches against Kuwait and Qatar. The final squad will move to Kolkata on June 2 ahead of the Blue Tigers' clash against Kuwait at Salt Lake Stadium on June 6. The Indian team is second in Group A with four points from as many games, ahead of Afghanistan.

Osaka seals first win on clay since 2022 in Madrid

MADRID: Naomi Osaka captured her first win on clay surface since 2022 in the Madrid Open on Wednesday. The former World No 1 grew up playing on hard courts in the US and has struggled on the red dirt over the years. But back at the Caja Magica for the first time in two years, Osaka looked comfortable during her 6-4, 6-1 win over Belgian Greet Minnen to book a second-round meeting with 15th seed Liudmila Samsonova.

Deepanshu bags gold in javelin at Asian U20 meet

NEW DELHI: Deepanshu Sharma secured a gold medal in men's javelin as Indian athletes produced a good show on the opening day of the 21st Asian U20 Athletics Championships in Dubai. Deepanshu won the top prize with a throw of 70.29m, while Rohan Yadav clinched silver with 70.03m. In men's 1500m, Priyanshu claimed silver after clocking 3:50.85. Earlier, Ritik bagged silver in men's discus throw.

Advantage Mumbai: Chhangte nets two late goals to stun Goa in semis

ENS @Chennai

FC GOA were following the script to the T. Boris Singh Thangjam had scored the opening to hand them the lead against Mumbai City FC in the first leg of the ISL semifinals at Bhubaneswar on Wednesday.

Brandon Fernandes then scored within 10 minutes of the second-half to put them in command. It was a dream scenario for the home team. Just when it seemed like Goa would walk with a handy lead going into the second leg, drama ensued.

Lallianzuala Chhangte sparked that with a goal in the final minute of regulation time for Mumbai City. Within seconds, they were on level terms, thanks to Vikram Pratap Singh's strike. However, the home side's pain was far from over. In what can be termed a mad spell, Chhangte stepped up once again in the 96th minute to find the unlikely winning goal. Mumbai had pulled off a miracle to win 3-2.

From Goa's point of view, this was a huge blow. Relinquishing a two-goal lead, that too, within a minute.

Boris opened the floodgates in the 16th minute by tapping in a straightforward square delivery by attacking midfielder Mohammed Yasir. Receiving a long ball on the left flank, Yasir sprinted into the box and sliced in a low cross that was converted into a goal by Boris.

Lallianzuala Chhangte (C) wheels away in celebration after scoring against Goa | ISL

Earlier, Mumbai defender Akash Mishra picked up a knock and had to be replaced with Valpuia in the 13th minute of the match. Goa's second goal in the 56th minute was when Fernandes broke free with the ball and deposited it into the top corner of the net. When it all looked Goa would cross the line comfortably, Chhangte struck.

With the return leg set to be held in Mumbai, this result is a big boost for Chhangte & Co. In the first semifinal on Tuesday, Odisha beat Mohun Bagan 2-1.

SHOOTING

Sift and Niraj toppers in 50m 3P finals

ENS @New Delhi/Chennai

IN a sport that is stacked, Sift Kaur Samra has emerged as one of the standout shooters in recent times.

The world record holder in the women's 50m rifle 3 positions is one of the brightest prospects in the national team. Her talent was evident on Wednesday as she topped the finals of her event in the ongoing Olympic Selection Trials (OST 1). The Asian Games gold medallist shot a tally of 466.3 to finish ahead of Ashi Choksey, who had topped the qualification stage earlier on Tuesday. Sift had finished second during the qualification round.

Tokyo Olympian Anjum Moudgil finished third in the finals with a score of 449.2.

In the men's equivalent event, Niraj Kumar was the standout in the finals with a score of 462.2, finishing ahead of qualification topper Swapnil Kusale (460.9). Aishwary Pratap Singh Tomar was third (450.5). Earlier on Tuesday, Niraj had finished fourth during the qualification stage.

Narsingh chairman of WFI's Athletes' panel

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @Chennai

FORMER Commonwealth Games gold medallist Narsingh Pancham Yadav was elected chairman of the Athletes' Commission of the Wrestling Federation of India on Wednesday during the ongoing Federation Cup in Varanasi. Election of the Athletes' Commission was one of the conditions laid down by the United World Wrestling while revoking the suspension of the WFI in February this year.

A total of eight candidates were in the fray to elect seven members of the commission. The elected members then chose Narsingh as the chairman. The other elected members were Sahil (Delhi), Smitha AS (Kerala), Bharti Bhaghei (UP), Khushboo S Pawar (Gujarat), Nikki (Haryana), and Sweta Dubey (Bengal). Nikki was elected as the convener. The commission members were elected for two years. Narsingh, who competed in the 2012 London Olympics losing the opening bout in 74kg, made the headlines ahead of the 2016 Rio Games. By virtue of his bronze medal in the 74kg in the 2015 World Championships, the Maharashtra wrestler earned a quota but two-time Olympic medallist Sushil Kumar first requested for a trial against him and them moved the Delhi High Court seeking the same. The court rejected the appeal clearing Narsingh's way to compete in the Rio Games. However, he failed two dope tests prior to the Games and was banned for four years by the Court of Arbitration for Sport even though the National Anti-Doping Agency (NADA) had cleared him on the plea that his failed test was the result of sabotage.

The CAS decision came a day before his opening bout in the Olympics, forcing him to leave Rio de Janeiro without competing. The ban came to an end in July 2020 but Narsingh has maintained that the doping saga was a case of sabotage.

Narsingh also won a bronze medal in the 2014 Asian Games while his last international event was the 2021 Asian Championships where he finished with a bronze in the 79kg.

Full story: newindianexpress.com

FOOTBALL ROUND-UP

We have made our people proud: Arsenal boss Arteta post five-star show

AGENCIES @London

KAI Havertz and Ben White scored twice as Arsenal thrashed Chelsea 5-0 on Tuesday to surge ahead in the Premier League title race and ramp up the pressure on Liverpool and Manchester City.

Leandro Trossard was also on target in a record win over Chelsea for the Gunners, who move three points clear of Liverpool and four of Manchester City.

The destiny of the title remains in City's hands as the defending champions have two games in hand.

Liverpool have also played one fewer game than Arsenal and were scheduled to be in action at Everton in the Merseyside derby on Wednesday.

However, Mikel Arteta's men's goal difference advantage now looks unassailable should it become decisive in the title race.

"We have made our people very proud, it is a big derby for us and I know what it means," said Arteta.

"We started the game really well but didn't convert all our chances — we were a bit sloppy in certain areas of the pitch.

"In the second half we were much more disciplined and created chances and were ruthless in front of goal."

Chelsea and Arsenal's title rivals were dealt a huge blow before kick-off as the Blues' danger man Cole Palmer was ruled out due to illness.

Arsenal's Kai Havertz scores the third goal against Chelsea on Tuesday | AP

Palmer has scored or assisted nearly 50 percent of Chelsea's Premier League goals this season and his presence was badly missed by the visitors.

Despite enduring a disappointing first season under Mauricio Pochettino, Chelsea had been unbeaten in eight consecutive league games prior to their FA Cup semi-final defeat to Manchester City on Saturday. But they were blown away by an Arsenal side keen to reaffirm their title credentials after losing their last home game to Aston Villa.

"So difficult (a) result and performance (to accept) because it is not nice to see your team playing like this from the beginning of the game," said Pochettino.

"Today we didn't compete against a team fighting for the Premier League. We need to be aware we need to compete in a different way."

The hosts flew out of the blocks and were in front inside five minutes.

Haaland to miss Brighton tie

Manchester City's Premier League title bid suffered a blow after Norway striker Erling Haaland was ruled out of Thursday's crucial clash at Brighton. Haaland missed City's 1-0 win over Chelsea in the FA Cup semi-final at Wembley on Saturday due to a muscle injury sustained in the Champions League quarter-final exit against Real Madrid last week.

THE 'TON' COMES TO LIFE!

Step into the world of *Bridgerton* as the locations where the series was filmed are now open to visitors and tourists...

SRUSHTI KULKARNI

DEAREST readers, the countdown to Season 3 of the *Netflix* sensation *Bridgerton* has begun, sending the ton into a frenzy of excitement and speculation. Since the announcement of its imminent arrival — from intriguing clips to cleverly hidden Easter eggs and stills from the upcoming episodes and reels offering tidbits from the charming cast — the show has been serially dropping hints at the drama awaiting us. What if we tell you that you can now experience the enchanting architectural marvels that provide the backdrop for these captivating tales? Many of these stunning locations are open to visitors, allowing fans to step into the world of *Bridgerton* and experience its magic first hand. Here is a list of some of the breathtaking locations featured in Bridgerton that you can visit to immerse yourself in the splendour of this fantasy Regency-era London

The Bridgerton family

THE ABBEY DELI

With a view of the Abbey and the historic trees at Abbey Green, this deli features multiple rooms and a spacious dining area with a luxurious leather sofa and is the perfect place to relax. Following its appearance in the show as Madam Delacroix's modiste, the venue in Bath now offers a special pre-booked Afternoon Tea experience in a Georgian-style private dining room. Guests can enjoy a selection of fresh sandwiches, scones with jam and clotted cream, a variety of sweet treats and a selection of fine teas. Additionally, one can savour exquisite coffee, delicious cakes and freshly prepared pies, *quiches, lasagne* and salads at the deli. *₹2,060 onwards per person. Open daily, 9 am to 4.30 pm.*

HAMPTON COURT PALACE

Once the residence of King Henry VIII, the spot serves as the lavish on-screen home of Queen Charlotte in both *Bridgerton* and *Queen Charlotte: A Bridgerton Story*. Situated in Richmond along the picturesque banks of the river Thames in Molesey, this historic palace features expansive outdoor spaces and 60 acres of stunning gardens. Immerse yourself in their Film and TV Location audio guide tour, highlighting iconic scenes from Bridgerton and other productions. ***Entry fee:*** *₹2,808. Open daily, 10 am - 5.30 pm.*

RANGER'S HOUSE

Set amidst Greenwich Park and Blackheath, Ranger's House in London is an elegant Georgian villa that is home to The Wernher Collection, a renowned assembly of over 700 artworks from medieval sculptures to Dutch Old Masters. Now famous as the frontage of the Bridgerton House in the series, here, visitors can explore a dozen panelled interiors, including works like the Madonna of the Pomegranate from Botticelli's workshop and French tapestries, among others. ***Entry fee:*** *₹1,033 approximately. April 1 to October 30, Wednesday – Sunday, 11 am – 4 pm.*

ROYAL CRESCENT

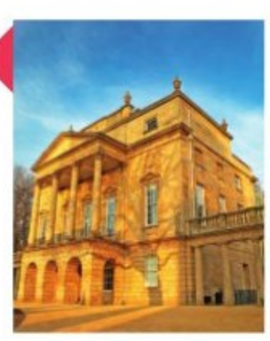
In the heart of Bath lies the Featheringtons' home, an 18th-century Georgian townhouse museum restored to its former glory. The crescent features a uniform Palladian design, overlooking Royal Victoria Park. The museum reflects the period between 1776 to 1796 and has been furnished to recreate the ambiance of the late 18th century, offering visitors a glimpse into the lives of Bath's elite. ***Entry fee:*** *₹1,601 approximately, with tickets valid for 12 months. February 1 to December 31, Tuesday – Sunday, 10 am – 5.30 pm.*

WINDSOR GREAT PARK

A historic part of the Windsor Estate in Berkshire, the park is a sprawling royal landscape featuring forests, grasslands, lakes and gardens. It served as the picturesque setting for *Bridgerton* Season Two, where Kate Sharma's rowboat excursion with a suitor sparks jealousy in Anthony. This vast estate offers a wide range of attractions, including Queen Anne's Ride, Stag Meadow, The Savill Garden and vineyards — stretching for about 16 kms from Windsor Castle to Camberley. ***Entry free.*** *Open daily, 7 am and 8.30 pm.*

THE HOLBURNE MUSEUM

While the exterior of the museum may appear familiar to fans of *Bridgerton* as the mansion of the wealthy widow Lady Danbury, this 1799 Sydney Hotel turned into a museum showcases the eclectic art collection of a wealthy 19th-century naval officer. It also boasts the last remaining English pleasure garden from the 1700s, Bath's Sydney Gardens and overlooks the Great Pulteney Street. Visitors can explore its grounds and galleries and Garden Café. ***Entry fee:*** *₹1,289 onwards. Monday – Saturday, 10 am to 5 pm and Sunday (and Bank Holidays), 11 am to 5 pm.daily, 7 am and 8.30 pm.*



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POSSESSION NOTICE (Under Rule 8(1) (For Immovable Property)

Account No : SBI/RACPC/SRA/KRMANGAL/HL/40031773318/
TOP-UP LOAN/40031883344/SURSKSHA/40031745881

Whereas The undersigned being the Authorized Officer of the **State Bank of India,** under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of the powers conferred under section 13 (12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 (No.3 of 2002) issued a Demand Notices dated **09.02.2024** issued, calling upon **BORROWER : 1) Mr. Manjunath .K** S/o. Krishnappa Ramaiah, 63, 6th Main, 6th Cross, Pillappa Block, Ganganagar, Bangalore 560032. **Co-BORROWER : 2) Mrs. Karthika Manjunath** W/o. Mr. Manjunath. K, 63, 6th Main, 6th Cross, Pillappa Block, Ganganagar, Bangalore - 560032 to repay the amount mentioned in the notice being **Rs. 46,56,064/-** (Rupees Forty-Six Lakh Fifty Six Thousand Sixty Four Only) as on 07.02.2024 and with interest at contractual rate and expenses thereon within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The borrowers having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrowers and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him under section 13(4) of the said Act read with Rule 8 & 9 of the said rules, on **23.04.2024.**

The Borrowers in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of the State Bank of India for an amount of **Rs. 47,38,988/-** (Rupees Forty Seven Lakh Thirty Eight Thousand Nine Hundred Eighty Eight Only) as on 15-04-2024 and interest, + expenses, cost, charges, etc. thereon.

The borrower's attention is invited to provision of Sub-section(8) of section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

SCHEDULE "A" (Description of the property sold hereunder) : All that piece and parcel of the house constructed at vacant site bearing No. 139, New e-Katha (Computerized) No. 150200103200900068, (472/139) carved out of residentially converted land bearing Sy.No. 102, situated at H. AMANIKERE@ HENNAGARA AMANIKERE Village, Jigani Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore Urban District, measuring East to West 45 ft., North to South 30 ft., in total measuring 1350 sq. ft., in the Layout named as 'DWARAKAMAI CASTLE', which is duly approved by Anekal Planning Authority vide No. LAO/149/2012-13 , dated 08.01.2015 and **bounded on : East by :** 30 feet Road, **West by :** Land bearing Sy. No. 103, **North by :** Site No. 138, **South by :** Site No. 140.

Date : 23.04.2024
Place : Bangalore

Sd/-
Authorised Officer and Chief Manager
State Bank of India, RACPC- II , Koramangala

STATE BANK OF INDIA
STRESSED ASSETS RECOVERY BRANCH
11/90, 3rd Floor, Near Old Shivaji Theater, J.C. Road,
Bangalore-560002. Ph : 080 25943663, 25943664
Email Id: sbi.05173@sbi.co.in

POSSESSION NOTICE Under Rule 8(1) (For Immovable Property)

Account No. : SBI/SARB/SRA/38846539969/622/40252

Whereas The undersigned being the Authorized Officer of the **State Bank of India,** under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of the powers conferred under section 13 (12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 (No. 3 of 2002) issued a Demand Notices dated **19.02.2024** issued, calling upon the borrower Borrower: **1) Dr. Rashmi Sharma** W/o. Ajay Sharma, **2) Sri. Aayoush Sharma** S/o. Ajay Sharma T2/A/502, ASPEN Godrej Woodsman Estate, Near Columbia Asia Hospita Hebbal, Bengaluru-560 024, **Also at : 1) Dr. Rashmi Sharma** W/o. Ajay Sharma, **2) Sri. Aayoush Sharma** S/o. Ajay Sharma Flat No. 201, 2nd Floor, Shri Sai Shanthi Nilaya, Kodigehalli, Yelahanka, Bangalore - 560 092. **Also at : Dr. Rashmi Sharma** W/o. Ajay Sharma, India Tower, Health Room, Godrej Woodsman Estate, Ballary Road, Hebbal, Bangalore-560 024 to repay the amount mentioned in the notice being **Rs. 52,53,165/-** (Rupees Fifty-two lakhs Fifty-Three Thousand One Hundred Sixty-Five only) as on 13-11-2023.and with interest at contractual rate and expenses thereon within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The borrowers having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrowers and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him under section 13(4) of the said Act read with Rule 8 & 9 of the said rules, on **23.4.2024.**

The Borrowers in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of the State Bank of India for an amount of **Rs. 53,50,061/-** (Rupees Fifty Three Lakh Fifty Thousand Sixty One Only) as on 22-04-2024 and interest, + expenses, cost, charges, etc. thereon.

The borrower's attention is invited to provision of Sub-section (8) of section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY : SCHEDULE "C" : All that piece and parcel of Residential apartment Flat bearing No. 201, 3 BHK, measuring 1342 sq.ft. undivided share 230 sq.ft. in 2nd Floor at "Shri Sai Shanthi Nilaya", Site No. 21, 22 bearing old No. 582/0/22, BBMP New Khata No. 1/1/582/0/31/33/21, Kodigehalli, Yelahanka, Bangalore, North Taluk with all civic Amenities near to the and the exclusive right to own one covered car parking space in stilt area inclusive proportionate rights to use in common area such as passage, stair case, & other area of common use with concealed wiring together with specification. Standing in the name of Dr. Rashmi Sharma W/o. Ajay Sharma. **Bounded by : East :** Private property (open to sky), **West :** Flat No. 204, **North :** Flat No. 202, **South :** Private property (open to sky).

Date : 23.04.2024
Place : Bangalore

Sd/- Authorised Officer
Stressed Assets Recovery Branch
BANGALORE.

STATE BANK OF INDIA
RACPC SHANKARAPURAM (64063)
No.13/1, 3rd Floor, Bull Temple Road, Opp.Sri.Ramakrishna Mutt,
Basavanagudi, Bangalore-560004. Tel No. : 9448944414
Email Id: sbi.64063@sbi.co.in

POSSESSION NOTICE (Under Rule 8(1) (For Immovable Property)

Account No: 31550089414/33123434479

Whereas, The undersigned being the Authorised Officer of the **State Bank of India,** under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (No 3 of 2002) and in exercise of the powers conferred under section 13 (12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002, issued a Demand Notice dated **05.02.2024,** calling upon the **borrower. 1. Mrs. Bhagya Thopaiah** D/o. Mr. Thopaiah and **(2) Yadugiri H** S/o. Mr. Hanumanthaiah both are residins at No. 34, 2nd Cross, 2nd Main, Near Ullal Bus Stand, Ullala Upanagar, Bengaluru - 560 056 and also at No. 808, 8th Main, 8th Cross, Ullala Upanagara, Bengaluru - 560 056 to repay the amount mentioned in the notice being **Rs. 11,38,559.50/-** (Rupees Eleven Lakh Thirty Eight Thousand Five Hundred Fifty Nine and Fifty Pisa only) as on 05.02.2024 and future interest & expenses thereon within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The borrower / mortgagor having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrower /mortgagor and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him under sub-section (4) of section 13 of Act read with Rule 8 & 9 of the Security Interest Enforcement Rules 2002 on this the **23.04.2024.**

The borrower in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of **State Bank of India** for an amount of **Rs. 11,24,495/-** (Rupees Eleven Lakh Twenty Four Thousand Four Hundred Ninety Five only) as on 18.04.2024 and further interest from 19.04.2024 plus, costs etc thereon.

The borrower's attention is invited to provisions of sub-section (8) of section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of the Residential property No. 125, Katha No. 39, in Sy. No. 199, at Ullalu Upanagara, Bangalore, measuring East to West 37 ft and North to South 24 ft and **bounded on the : East by :** Road, **West by :** Basavaraj, **North by :** Manjunala, **South by :** Lakshmi.

Date : 23.04.2024
Place : Bangalore

Sd/- Authorised Officer and Chief Manager
State Bank of India, RACPC
Shankarapuram, Bangalore.

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ASSET RECOVERY MANAGEMENT – I Branch,
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e-Mail – cb2366@canarabank.com

POSSESSION NOTICE (for Immovable Property)

Whereas: The undersigned being the Authorised Officer of the **Canara Bank** under Securitisation And Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (Act 54 of 2002) (hereinafter referred to as "the Act") and in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13 (2) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002 has issued a Demand Notices calling upon the Borrowers / Mortgagors / Guarantors to repay the amount mentioned In the notice within **60 days** from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The Borrowers/Guarantor/Mortgagor/ having failed to repay the amount, Notice is hereby given to the Borrowers/Guarantor/Mortgagor/ and the Public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him/her under Section 13(4) of the said Act read with Rule 8 & 9 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 on below mentioned dates.

The Borrowers/Guarantor/Mortgagor/ in particular and the Public in General are hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of the **Canara Bank,** for an amount interest and Other Charges mentioned below.

The borrower's attention is invited to provisions of sub-section (8) of section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

SPECIALISED ASSET RECOVERY MANAGEMENT – I BRANCH

1. Name and Address of the Borrower / Co-Borrower / Guarantor/ Mortgagor : M/s Bangalore Consultants & Contractors, No. 14/14, 59th Cross, 5th Block, Bhashyam Circle, Rajajinagar, Bangalore - 560010, represented by its Partners **1) Mr. Prakash K P ,** 14/14, 59th Cross, 5th Block, Bhashyam Circle, Rajajinagar, Bangalore - 560010 **2) Mrs. Latha Prakash,** residing at No.316A, 1st Floor, 5th Main, 2nd Block, 3rd Stage, Basaveshwaranagar, Bangalore - 560079 **and also at** House No. 401, 3rd Floor, Balaji Enclave-3, RMV II Stage, Bangalore – 560094.

Total amount mentioned in the notice : Rs. 4,94,02,187.85 (Rupees Four Crores Ninety Four Lakhs Two Thousand One Hundred Eighty Seven and Paise Eighty Five Only) along with further interest from **16.04.2024** and costs.

Demand Notice Dated :18.03.2023 **Possession Notice Date: 22.04.2024**

Equitable Mortgage of Immovable Property : Name of title holder: Mr. K P Prakash, 1) Flat No. 1 & 2, Ground floor, Balaji Enclave – 2, No. 120/204, 5th Main road, Ravi Kirloskar Layout, Chikkabidarakallu Village, Dasanapura Hobli, Bangalore – 560072 measuring 1500 Sft.

2) Flat No. 4, Third floor, Balaji Enclave – 2, No. 120/204, 5th Main Road, Ravi Kirloskar Layout, Chikkabidarakallu Village, Dasanapura Hobli, Bangalore – 560072 measuring 1500 Sft.

2. Name and Address of the Borrower / Co-Borrower / Guarantor/ Mortgagor : 1) Mr. Prakash K P , 14/14, 59th Cross, 5th Block, Bhashyam Circle, Rajajinagar, Bangalore - 560010, **2) Mrs. Latha Prakash,** residing at No.316A, 1st Floor, 5th Main, 2nd Block, 3rd Stage, Basaveshwaranagar, Bangalore - 560079, **and also at** House No. 401, 3rd Floor, Balaji Enclave-3, RMV II Stage, Bangalore – 560094.

Total amount mentioned in the notice : Rs. 1,88,22,169.52 (Rupees One Crore Eighty Eight Lakhs Twenty Two Thousand One Hundred Sixty Nine and Paise Fifty Two Only) along with further interest from **16.04.2024** and costs.

Demand Notice Dated : 18.03.2023 **Possession Notice Date: 22.04.2024**

Description of the Immovable Property : Name of title holder: Mr. K P Prakash
Movable: All that piece and parcel of property bearing Flat no. 401, 3rd Floor, Balaji Enclave – 3, on property bearing Municipal No. 34, PID No.100-760-34, situated at RMV 2nd Stage, 4th Block, Sanjay Nagar, Bangalore – 560094 earlier BDA site no. 34, 4th Block, Lottegollahalli, 2nd Stage, RMV, Bangalore – 560094 measuring 1700 Sft. , super built up area including proportionate common areas and facilities with 500 Sft. of undivided share and one covered car parking area with all amenities, facilities and lefty the Basement and bounded on : East by: Flat no. 402, West by : Road, North by : Site no. 33 South by : Site no. 35.

Date : 22.04.2024
Place : Bangalore

Sd/-Authorized Officer
Canara Bank

SYMBOLIC POSSESSION NOTICE

ICICI Bank | **Branch Office:** ICICI Bank Ltd. 4/10, Mythree Tower, Bommanhalli Hosur Main Road Bangalore- 560068

Whereas
The undersigned being the Authorized Officer of ICICI Bank Limited under the Securitisation, Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of the powers conferred under section 13 (12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) rules 2002, issued demand notices upon the borrowers mentioned below, to repay the amount mentioned in the notice within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.
As the borrower failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrower and the public in general that the undersigned has taken Symbolic possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him/ her under Section 13(4) of the said Act read with Rule 8 of the said rules on the below-mentioned dates. The borrower in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of ICICI Bank Limited.

Sr. No.	Name of the Borrower/ Loan Account Number	Description of Property/ Date of Symbolic Possession	Date of Demand Notice/ Amount in Demand Notice (Rs.)	Name of Branch
1.	Fast Stream Technologies Pvt. Ltd, Vinay Bansal & Pooja Bansal/ J 301, Mantri Woodlands, No 1398, Ankere Village, Begur Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, Bangalore-560076/ 100705000720 & 100755000010.	(As Described In The Loan Document/ Property Document Covering All That Piece And Parcel Of Converted Land Bearing Katha No.1398 (old Sy.no.17/1 And 17/2, Arakere Village, Begur Hobi, Bangalore South Taluk), Issued By Bommanahalli City Municipal Council, Begur Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk 1. 0.412% Undivided Right And Interest In The Land Covered By The Schedule 'a' Property Mentioned Above, Which Undivided Right And Interest Works Out To 493.53 Square Feet (46.40 Square Meters). 2. Apartment No.J-301, Presently Jurisdiction Of Bommanahalli CMC New Property No.301/A, In The Third Floor Of The Said Building Known As "mantri Woodlands" Measuring Super Built Up Area Of About 965 Square Feet (89.65 Square Meters) Including Proportionate Share Of Common Area With The Floors, Ceiling And Walls Between Apartments Jointly Belongs To Such Apartment Owners Equally 3. One Car Parking Unit No.J-301 In The Basement. (Admeasuring An Area Of Measuring Super Built Up Area Of About 965 Square Feet (89.65 Square Meters) North: Property Bearing Sy.No.14 And 15 South: Property Bearing Sy. No.17/3 East: Property Bearing Sy.no.16/1 West: Property Bearing Sy.no.18. Date Of Symbolic Possession 19th April 2024.	November 15, 2023 Rs. 67,46,519.00/-	Bangalore

The above-mentioned borrowers(s)/ guarantors(s) are hereby given a 30 day notice to repay the amount, else the mortgaged properties will be sold on the expiry of 30 days from the date of publication of this Notice, as per the provisions under the Rules 8 and 9 of Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002.

Date: April 25, 2024
Place: Bangalore

Authorized Officer
ICICI Bank Limited

बैंक ऑफ़ बड़ौदा Bank of Baroda

Bank of Baroda
Dayananda Sagar College Branch,
S M hills Kumarswamy Layout, Bangalore - 560078,
Ph: 080-2662789 E-mail: vjdasc@bankofbaroda.com

NOTICE TO BORROWER
(UNDER SUB-SECTION (2) OF SECTION 13 OF THE SARFAESI ACT, 2002)

'At your request, Bank has extended credit facilities to the below mentioned individuals against secured assets through its **Bank of Baroda.** The relevant particulars of the property on which you have created security interest by execution of security agreement/documents & creation of mortgage by way deposit of title deeds are furnished hereunder. As the operation and conduct of the financial assistance/ credit facilities have become irregular, the debts have been classified as Non Performing Assets in accordance with the directives/guidelines issued by Reserve Bank of India consequent to the default committed by the borrowers in repayment of the principal debt and interest thereon. As the demand notice sent by register AD calling upon you, was un-served/not acknowledged, this publication is now issued.

Dayananda Sagar College Branch,

1.Name and Address of the Borrower/Co-Borrower/Mortgagor/Guarantor: 1)Mr. RAKESH KUMAR N A & Mrs Soumya B S, Flat no 429, 4th floor, Lotus-block, Eden Blossoms Apartment, Gollahalli village, Anjanapura, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bangalore south Taluk-560002.

Sl No	Nature And Type Facility	Limit Rs. in Lakhs	ROI (%)	O/s Bal as on 14.04.2024 (inclusive of interest upto 15.03.2024)
01	Housing Loan 74370600001230	60.0	9.55%	Rs. 60,55,912/-
02	Suvidha Personal Loan & 74370600001231	3.04	10.05%	Rs.3,11,968.86/-
	Total			Rs.63,67,881/-

Security agreement with brief description of securities: Residential flat bearing flat No.429, 4th floor, Lotus- block "Eden Blossoms" Sy no.33/1 BBMP khata no 134/471/33/1 Gollahalli village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk- 560002. Total area:-1155 sq ft. Boundaries (Schedule A) East by: BDA Property, West by: 60ft BDA road, North by: BDA Property, South by: 40ft road.

Amount Outstanding : Rs. 63,67,881/- (Rupees Sixty Three Lakhs Sixty Seven Thousand Eight Hundred Eighty One only), with future interest thereon.

NPA Date : 15.04.2024 **Demand Date : 19.04.2024**

If you fail to repay the aforesaid sum with interest and incidental expenses within 60 days from the date of this notice, Bank shall exercise all or any of the rights detailed under sub section (4) of the section 13 of the SARFAESI Act. You are also put on notice that in terms of sub section 13 of section 13, you shall not transfer by sale, lease or otherwise the said secured assets detailed above without obtaining written consent of the Bank. This notice is without prejudice to the Banks rights to initiate such other action or legal proceedings as it deem necessary under any other applicable provisions of law.

Date : 24.04.2024
Place : Bangalore

Sd/- Chief Manager
Bank of Baroda

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DAY'S DIARY

Discovery of a diary

In 1983, the *Stern* magazine's editors-in-chief carried 12 black notebooks filled with Hitler's personal notes, at a press meet in Hamburg

AFTERMATH

Three days later, *Stern* published a special edition with excerpts from the diaries. The magazine increased its circulation by 4,00,000 and the special issue cost an additional 50 pfennigs

PUBLIC HUMILATION

A week later, *Stern* had to admit that it was fooled by the seller. The forensic analysis proved that the diaries' papers had no existence in the Third Reich

CONSEQUENCES

The public prosecutor's office launched an investigation on reporter Gerd Heidemann and the forger, Konrad Kujau. They were sentenced to prison

A curated guide to happenings in the city

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FROM TRANSPARENCY IN GOVERNANCE TO INCREASED FOCUS ON SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY RESEARCH, AND PRIORITISING DOMESTIC ISSUES OVER FOREIGN POLICY, BENGALUREANS SHARE WITH **DESE GOWDA** THEIR EXPECTATIONS OF THE NEXT GOVERNMENT ON THE EVE OF THE LOK SABHA ELECTIONS

VOTE WE EXPECT

Bindu Rao, comic

Earlier, I never took the time to learn about the candidates or their manifestos. For a long time, I avoided political discussions to dodge conflict, as I was not well-informed and people often have differing opinions. However, I've decided to educate myself starting with the basics – getting to know the candidates – a small but crucial step towards a better understanding of the political scene. In Bengaluru, water access is a major issue, and nationally, the focus should be on employment and training programmes to enhance employability.

Yashaswini J, IT professional

I want the next government to prioritise issues like poverty, education, inflation, and infrastructure. Although the current government has been in power for 10 years and claims to have made some progress, I have yet to see significant benefits. For example, there may be a focus on small to medium-scale initiatives in entrepreneurship and health, but the outcomes are minimal, benefitting only a few. Despite claims of creating opportunities and reducing unemployment, the reality includes widespread layoffs. There seems to be no substantial improvement, only a maintenance of the status quo. Perhaps the government should introduce new projects or systems that genuinely boost employment.

Elected MPs should effectively represent Bengaluru's local needs on a national level. They must secure development funds and plan for Bengaluru's future, envisioning growth and expansion needs for the next 10 to 15 years. A significant concern with the current government is the lack of transparency. Despite claims of controlling inflation and reducing unemployment, reality contradicts these assertions. The government's focus often seems politically driven rather than development-oriented. If re-elected, they must refocus on development and address essential issues. Their excessive attention to international diplomacy has overshadowed urgent domestic needs.

Sumaa Tekur, author

Abhishek Iyengar, thespian

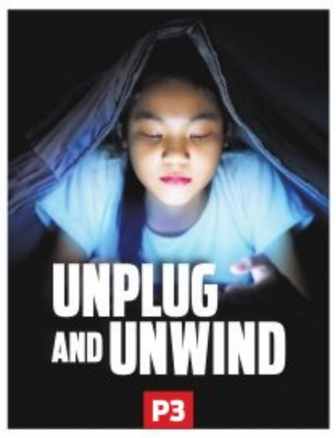
I want the government to introduce a National Art Policy, similar to the National Education Policy (NEP), to encompass artistes of all kinds within a government-structured framework, which will enhance our rich heritage and culture globally. The implemention the NEP across all levels of the educational curriculum, moving away from the outdated colonial educational policies, is also imperative. Looking ahead, future governments should focus on infrastructure, simplified and accessible taxation, and full implementation of the NEP, as these factors profoundly impact our daily lives and community.

Alvin Joseph Sajeevan, student

The first priority for the next government should be ensuring the independent functioning of democratic institutions like the Election Commission of India (ECI). Additionally, the government needs to tackle the communal climate by enacting strict laws against hate speech and removing draconian laws such as the sedition act, allowing for free criticism without fear of being labelled anti-national. The current government has made strides in infrastructure and some aspects of the economy, if one overlooks blunders like demonetisation and rising economic inequality. Future administrations should reduce unsustainable 'freebies' and implement long-term sustainable policies, make laws more investor-friendly to rival manufacturing hubs like China and Vietnam. Ultimately, whether the future is grim and communal or progressive and secular will depend on whether the government listens to the common people or caters to the elites.

Gayathri Sriya, student

There's a lack of awareness about certain critical issues like climate change among the public, which shows the need for greater awareness. A comprehensive climate policy could provide a framework for making informed decisions that align with environmental goals. Investing in renewable energy and clean transportation should also be a priority. On another note, India is significantly behind in cutting-edge technology and science, mainly due to inadequate investment in research. Investing more in local resources and creating industries that can employ people domestically would prevent this brain drain. We need to develop industries that utilise research meaningfully, ensuring it's not just theoretical but has practical applications, thus supporting a sustainable career path in India.



Keeping up with the spirit of voting day on April 26, the city is extending a range of discounts and activities to encourage people to come out and vote. *CE* curates a list of offers – culinary delights, spa relaxation, amusement park perks and more – to those making their voices heard

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Vote and Match

Connect with your newfound voter status on Tinder! Join the 'Every Single Vote Counts' campaign in collaboration with Yuvaa, a youth media organisation and Mark Your Presence, a non-partisan organisation to empower and educate India's young voters. Use voting-themed stickers like 'Voting Partner Needed' and 'First-time Voter' on your profile. Swipe through in-app cards for tips on voter registration and connect with those who value civic engagement.

WHEN: Till May 15 **DETAILS:** tinder.com

Culinary Delight

Sip and enjoy your favourite beverages with quick bites with this 50 per cent discount offer for all those who exercise their right to vote this Friday.

WHEN: April 26-28 **WHERE:** Cafe Muziris, Indiranagar **CALL:** 080-35710294

Dosae Bites

Get a free Mylari dosae and filter coffee at this iconic restaurant known for their traditional home-style recipes of Karnataka along with a 10 per cent off on the whole menu. **WHEN:** April 26 **WHERE:** Malgudi Mylari Mane, Koramangala **CALL:** 9483888889

Adventure Park Perks

Enjoy a day of unlimited fun at one of the best amusement parks in the city offering 15 per cent off to all voters. To avail the offer, your inked fingers will be verified at the park entrance.

WHEN: April 26 - 28 **WHERE:** Wonderla Amusement Park, Mysuru Road **DETAILS:** wonderla.com

Flying Home

Air India Express has launched #VoteAsYouAre, offering 19 per cent off for first-time voters aged 18-22. Fly home to vote with discounted fares available on domestic and international routes. For conditions, visit the website or the mobile app, and book the airport closest to your voting district. **WHEN:** Till June 1 **DETAILS:** airindiaexpress.com

KNOW YOUR CITY

Arun Prasad, city-based history researcher, unravels interesting facts about Bengaluru in this weekly quiz series. So it's time for you to find out how familiar you are with the city, beyond its heritage buildings, IT parks and the pub culture.

THE QUIZ WILL BE PUBLISHED EVERYWEDNESDAY

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THE RIGHT ANSWERS ARE

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2) Kukkarahalli Lake 3) 900m

FIRST THREE TO GET IT RIGHT

1) NS Seetharam Rao
2) Lata Siddheswar
3) R Prabha

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Explore, Learn, Thrive in India's Biggest 'Summer Camp for Kids 2024!' by Kriya Yoga Samsthan

Maharshi Dayananda Saraswathi Kriya Yoga Samsthan, a nonprofit voluntary organisation established 24 years ago in the year 1999 has been setting an example in creating awareness on individual ,social, moral, psychological and physiological developments thus contributing in the health and well being of citizens.

The Samsthan has been conducting state wide awareness camps on Yoga, Ayurveda, Vedic science, Indian heritage and culture, Gau-samraksha-na, ancient methods of agriculture, moral development in rural areas, nature cure, pollution control etc. along with summer camps for school going children.

The 24th Annual All India Residential Summer Camp is a single destination that gets kids outside having fun while teaching them lifelong skills. It is a wonderful way to keep your children occupied in a way that helps them continue learning during the summer holidays.

This year's residential summer camp promises another season of exciting opportunities for personal growth and lifelong learning in a serene, supportive setting. A typical day at the camp is designed not only to educate but also to enrich—participants delve into a wide range of activities designed to ignite both body and mind. This programme not only reconnects youth with the rich Vedic heritage and cultural values but also equips them with essential life skills through interactive group activities that enhance communication and social interaction.

"At Summer Camp India, we aim to revive the age-old educational practices that were once the backbone of our learning institutions. Here, students are encouraged to engage with peers from diverse backgrounds, sharing their unique perspectives and doubts, which is crucial for holistic development," said Dr. Sumithra Reddy B, Chairman

According to Dr. Saurabh Singh, Managing Director, the popularity of the Summer Camp India initiatives, particularly the Residential Summer Camp and Adventure Camp, speaks volumes about their impact. "These camps provide a structured yet fun environment where children can learn new skills, forge lasting friendships, and explore their potential in ways that traditional schooling often does not allow," he said.

The Samsthan is also organising its annual All India Adventure Camp 2024 at Kullu-Manali, Himachal Pradesh from 21st May to 29th May.

Why Choose the Residential Summer Camp

- Experiential Learning: Beyond textbooks, our camp encourages hands-on learning of practical skills and ancient wisdom.
- Vedic Studies and Rituals: Delve into morning rituals, Sanskrit classes, and Vedic philosophy discussions.
- Adventure and Sports: Enjoy archery, horse riding, golf, swimming, and more!
- Cultural Immersion: Participate in sessions on Indian culture, environmental stewardship, and ancient arts like Mallakhambh.
- Personal Development: Engage in personality development workshops and group activities that build social skills and confidence.
- Safe and Nurturing Environment: Supervised by experienced staff in a secure facility ensuring the well-being of each camper.

Exclusive Features:

- Expert Guidance: Learn under the guidance of dynamic instructors in a lush green, pollution-free campus spanning 100 acres.
- Holistic Nutrition: Relish pure vegetarian meals enriched with traditional Indian flavours.
- Structured Daily Routine: From sunrise yoga to evening Vedic chants, each day is carefully structured to provide a balanced mix of educational, physical, and recreational activities.

VENUE DETAILS

BGS International Residential School, Bengaluru
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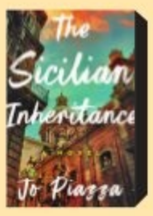
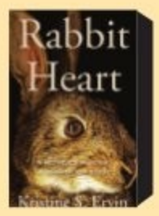


The Sicilian Inheritance
By Jo Piazza

A twist-filled adventure that takes Sara all over the Italian countryside as she races to solve a mystery and learn the story of Serafina – a feisty and headstrong young woman in the early 1900s thrust into motherhood in her teens who fought for a better life not just for herself but for other women as well.

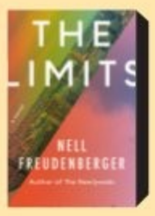
Grave Expectations
By Alice Bell

A fast-paced and hilarious debut crime novel in which a burnt-out millennial medium must utilise her ability to see ghosts and team up with a band of oddball investigators to figure out which member(s) of a posh English family are guilty of murder.



Rabbit Heart
By Kristine S Ervin

A brutal memoir documenting one woman's search for identity alongside her family's decades-long quest to identify the two men who abducted – and murdered – her mother.



The Limits
By Nell Freudenberger

From Mo'orea, a tiny volcanic island off the coast of Tahiti, a French biologist obsessed with saving Polynesia's imperilled coral reefs sends her teenage daughter to live with her ex-husband in New York. Following this, fifteen-year-old Pia goes to Manhattan and gets shuttled between her parents' disparate lives.

EYE ON THE BALL

Billiards and snooker champion Pankaj Advani takes a cue during the announcement of the first edition of Cue Sports Premier League, which will be held from May 4, at Bowring Institute | **VINOD KUMAR T**

QUICKFIX

ZUCCHINI KOOTU

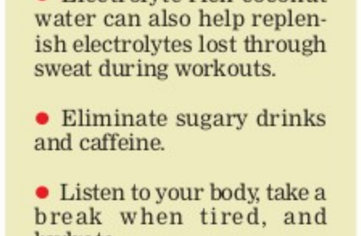
INGREDIENTS

- **Zucchini:** 1, medium-size
- **Moong dal:** 3 fistful
- **Turmeric:** 1 tsp
- **Salt:** as per taste
- **Red chilli:** 2
- **Jeera:** 1 tsp
- **Coconut:** 1/2 cup

METHOD

- Cut zucchini into small cubes or as per your preference. Soak dal for 30 minutes.
- In a cooker, add zucchini, moong dal, turmeric, and salt. Add very little water and pressure-cook it for one whistle.
- Grind the coconut with red chilli and jeera.
- Open the cooker, add the coconut paste, and heat the cooker on a low flame till the kootu comes together.
- Temper mustard seeds and curry leaves with oil and pour it over the dish.

Contributed by **Rama Ramanan**, Bengaluru



Wanitha Ashok

The expert is a Fit India Movement Ambassador and celebrity fitness coach

Working out in the summer is getting difficult, how do I keep myself hydrated to keep going?

Staying hydrated during summer workouts is crucial for maintaining energy levels and preventing dehydration. Drinking water before, during, and after workout is essential to replenish lost fluids and electrolytes. Many are misinformed about consuming water during workouts, which they think is not safe. Gulping down water is not advised especially when the heart rate is up, it's better to sip water. That's why we have sippers.

ASK AN XPERT

- Opt for hydrating foods like watermelon, cucumbers, and ice apples to supplement your fluid intake.
- Electrolyte-rich coconut water can also help replenish electrolytes lost through sweat during workouts.
- Eliminate sugary drinks and caffeine.
- Listen to your body, take a break when tired, and hydrate.
- The best time to exercise is early in the morning or evening, as the weather is a lot more favourable and the chances of getting dehydrated are low. Swimming is one of the best summer workouts.

By prioritising hydration and listening to your body's needs, you can stay energised and motivated to continue your summer workouts effectively.

SETU BANDHASANA BLOCK
(BRIDGE POSE BLOCK)

This is a supine yoga pose that is derived from the base pose, Bridge Pose. With the support of the block, the backbend becomes easier for beginners. This is also included in restorative yoga sequences, and it helps the spine extend while still being assisted gently. This pose can be used to alleviate back pain and can be a cool-down practice post-Vinyasa Yoga sequences. When the trunk is raised up, it expands the chest, ensuring better and deeper breathing, thus making it a gentle heart-opening practice. This uses props to make the pose accessible and easier for students who may not have the needed strength, flexibility, or balance to do the same pose without props.

STEPS

- Lie down on your back with your knees bent and the soles of your feet kept flat on the ground.
- Extend your arms outwards on the floor.
- Then, raise your hips off the floor and press back into the soles of your feet, allowing your yoga block to rest comfortably under your lower back or directly under your sacrum.
- Make sure that your arms are spread out on the floor next to your body.
- Hold the position for a few minutes as your body adjusts to the stretch and reaps the benefits of a passive backbend.
- Avoid very rigid blocks and instead use light-weight, smooth-surfaced blocks.
- Push down into your feet and raise your hips, then gently remove the block. Lower your back to the floor and focus on your breathing as you remain in the Constructive Rest Pose.
- Finally, relax in Savasana for a few seconds.

BENEFITS

- Lengthening of the spine is easier with the support of a block.
- Opens the psoas muscles, thereby helping the hips gain better stability and strength.
- Block helps to raise the upper back without jerking the movement.
- The chest, rib cage, upper abdomen, shoulders, and upper back get equally activated.
- Makes the back and the hips flexible by elongating the spine.
- Any stiffness in arms or shoulders can be eliminated.
- With concentration, one may achieve breath awareness while practisisng this pose.
- Aids in giving better shape to the hips and shoulders, ensuring well-toned spinal muscles.
- By holding the breath for long, breathing becomes deeper and slow.
- Channels can be cleared, thereby giving room for more prana flow.
- Activates the sama vayu, and during the time of release, the apana vayu gets activated.
- In this pose, when both prana vayus are active, various chakras get stimulated.
- Reduces stress, anxiety, or any kind of tension in the body.
- Activates the Solar Plexus, Root, and Throat Chakras.
- Helps in lowering and balancing the blood pressure.
- Pressure at the pelvic floor has a healing effect on the inner muscles of the uterus, thereby improving the reproductive system.
- Helpful in reducing the effects of asthma.

LIMITATIONS

- Students who have had any injury or a recent surgery in the hips, pelvis, shoulders, rib cage, spine, knees, neck, or ankles, or any other physical conditions, should avoid this pose.

By N Elumalai, PhD Scholar (Yoga Science) at Meenakshi Academy of Higher Education & Research, Chennai

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WHATWHENWHYWHERE

Poetry Open Mic
Dive into the depths of emotion with Let Poetry Be, an English language poetry open-mic, exploring the theme of Love with host **Neha Kirpalani**. Entry is free!
WHEN: April 26, 5.30pm
WHERE: Atta Galatta, Indiranagar
DETAILS: 9632510126

Revisiting Narada
Discover the depth of Narada's character, often reduced to comic relief in mythological stories, by looking at lesser-known aspects of the bard with Vara Narada, presented by **Vinay Varanasi** and Aditya Madhavan.
WHEN: April 25, 6.30pm
WHERE: Bangalore International Centre, Domlur
DETAILS: bangaloreinternationalcentre.org

Comedy Night
Laugh until your sides ache with **Gursimran Khamba**'s standup comedy set *Lemons and Peaches*, a hilarious journey through life's unexpected moments. The show will take you through how some pivotal moments changed him and his outlook towards life forever.
WHEN: April 26, 8pm
WHERE: The Underground Comedy Club, Koramangala
DETAILS: bookmyshow.com

Jamming Session
Enjoy an evening of jamming sessions, where music lovers of all levels can come together to create unforgettable memories and connections. Bring your guitar or any instrument as you sing along to your favourite songs.
WHEN: April 27, 7.30pm
WHERE: House of Stories, Indiranagar **DETAILS:** bookmyshow.com

Getaway Weekend
Explore the beauty of Gokarna on a mesmerising trip filled with natural spectacles, beautiful beaches and historical landmarks like the Mahabaleshwar temple and Murudeshwar.
WHEN: April 26, 6.34pm **WHERE:** Meeting point -Nadaprabhu Kempegowda Metro Station, Majestic **DETAILS:** bookmyshow.com

Comedy Play
Tax Free is the journey of four men who are visually impaired and meet at a blind Men's club. They combat the tragedy that has fallen upon them with comedy as none of them was born with visual impairment.
WHEN: April 27, 3.30pm & 7.30pm
WHERE: Jagriti Theatre, Whitefield
DETAILS: bookmyshow.com

Relaxing Retreat
Unwind and destress with a unique meetup exploring the science behind the calming power of visuals, binaural beats, aromatic scents and biofeedback techniques to craft your own relaxation regime.
WHEN: April 25, 4.30pm
WHERE: Parsec, Jayanagar
DETAILS: bookmyshow.com

Yoga for all
Increase your flexibility and improve mental clarity as you immerse yourself in the transformative benefits of yoga, where everyone is welcome to enhance their overall well-being.
WHEN: April 27, 8.30am
WHERE: Jus Truffs Chocolatiers, Jakkur Road
DETAILS: bookmyshow.com

ARTCORNER

WHISPERS OF BLOSSOMS

Artist Sangeetha DR's acrylic painting depicts a serene spring day transitioning into a misty night

UNPLUG AND UNWIND

Wondering how to help your child reduce high screen time? Here's how

DR CHITRA SHANKAR

SCREENS have become an essential part of our lives, but excessive screen time – use of mobile, tab, TV, and laptop, especially for recreational purposes, can be detrimental to the development of children of all age groups, from babies to teens.

The period between 0 to 3 years is critical for a baby's development – for rapid brain growth and maturation. During this time, they require significant stimulation through interactions with parents and caregivers like talking, playing, and reading. This is very crucial for babies as they actively explore with their hands, and senses actively, and imitate adults and parents to develop their language, speech, social, and cognitive skills. Failure to develop these skills can lead children to rely heavily on screens for entertainment, eventually leading to screen addiction. It is found that babies and toddlers spend around 2 to 6 hours on screens every day.

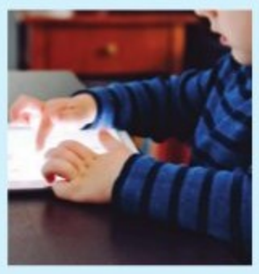
Although screens provide colorful entertainment and music, babies and toddlers do not effectively learn from them even though they love to look at the changing images. Research shows that toddlers struggle to transfer 2D screen images to real-world 3D objects. Passive screen time does not foster communication or social skills since screens lack interactive responses, unlike human interaction.

Excessive screen time has various negative effects on kids, such as:

- Affects speech. Babies watching screens for longer speak and understand fewer words than expected. Prolonged screen time can cause speech delay.
- Hinders the development of independent feeding skills if shown screens while eating every time.
- Reduced opportunities for physical activities, observation, exploration, imagination, and problem-solving.
- Disrupted sleep patterns. Exposure to blue light affects the production of sleep hormones
- Negative changes in behaviour, including imitation of on-screen aggression in preschool children.
- Increased consumption of junk foods, leads to weight gain in older children.
- Impaired attention span, reading, and thinking skills in school-age children.
- Continuous screen time causes eye strain and shoulder, neck, and body pain.

How to help toddlers develop speech, communication, and social skills

To promote speech, communication, and social skills in toddlers, frequent interaction is crucial. Parents should engage in conversation, introduce new words, and respond to the child's attempts at communication positively. Talk to the child while giving a bath, feeding, dressing, and other activities. Reading books daily for 10 to 20 minutes, and ensuring interactive playtime is essential for language development.



How to manage screen time in children?

For children below 5 years:

- Avoid screen time until 18 months. Between 18 to 24 months of age, limit exposure to high-quality programmes. Always watch with your kid and help him/her to understand.
- Discourage screen use during meals and avoid handheld devices like mobile phones and tabs.
- Children in this age group can use video calls with family, relatives, etc.
- Limit screen time to 1 hour per day for children aged 2 to 5, focusing on educational programmes. Watch with them and make it interactive.
- Promote alternative activities like reading, painting, music, board games, puzzles, etc.

For children aged 5 to 10:

- Monitor your kid's screen time duration and content closely. Ensure they watch age-appropriate content.
- Preselect videos or shows and avoid continuous viewing. Turn off the TV or screen once the programme is over.
- Supervise website and app usage for content showcasing violence, foul language, abuse, etc.
- Use parent control to block and filter inappropriate content.
- Educate children about internet safety and set limits on recreational screen time, not more than 2 hours per day.

For preteens and teens (10 years and above):

- Establish boundaries on screen time.
- Encourage screen time to be used for creative pursuits.
- Promote physical activity and participation in sports.
- Educate children about online safety.

Have computers and laptops in common areas at home.

Additional guidelines for parents include having alternative activities and involving kids in household chores like folding clothes and watering plants, according to their age. Let screens be just one activity in our children's lives, not the primary focus.

(The writer is consultant - developmental paediatrics, Manipal Hospital Old Airport Road)

NUGGETS

Uptick in eye conditions during summer

With temperatures soaring, the risk to our eyes from the sun, dust, and pollution escalates. Dr Agarwals Eye Hospital's Regional Head - Clinical Services Dr Sreepathi DK notes an uptick in eye conditions such as dry eyes – where insufficient tear production leads to discomfort, and conjunctivitis. "Lubrication plays a vital role in preventing dryness, for which doctor-recommended lubricating eye drops should be used," he says.

Conclave on suncare tips

CHOSEN by Dermatology, a skincare brand is set to host an exclusive CHOSUN Conclave in Bengaluru at the Bangalore International Centre, Domlur on April 27 starting at 9am to discuss best skincare practices in summer. This event aims to educate consumers about the importance of sunscreens in skincare routines. A curated panel of doctors and beauty experts will discuss summer skincare dos and don'ts, joined by influencers sharing their practical experiences. Attendees can sample sunscreens and collagen products, enjoy art activities, and savour healthy skin-promoting food. The event will also include Q&A sessions with experts. To register, visit chosenstore.in/pages/chosun-conclave-ticket.

DECLARATION

I, MANJU YADAV, spouse of Dilip Kumar, MTS, No. 61059R, IAF, aged about 54 years, residing at No. 1612, 1st Main, 3rd Cross, Sanjeevini Nagar, Sahakarnagar Post, Bangalore 560092 have changed my Date of Birth from **12/05/1978 to 06/03/1970** vide affidavit dated: 24.04.2024 before advocate and notary L.B. Anasuyamma, Bengaluru.

AFFIDAVIT

I, **ASHA MENEZES**, W/O. Felix Menezes, Residing No. 8, 16/2, 22nd Main, Vinayaka Nagar, JP Nagar 5th Phase, Bangalore South, Bangalore, Karnataka 560078, I, declare that my Passport wrongly mentioned in my name as **ASHA DSOUZA** instead of **ASHA MENEZES** and I have decided to continue my name in future as **ASHA MENEZES** vide affidavit dated 03-04-2024 sworn to before notary Mohammed Hussain .K, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **B. KESHAVA** Aged about 55 years, Father of minor son residing at No. 33, Wheeler Road, Cox Town, Bengaluru 560 006 have changed my son's name as **JITHIN. K (New Name)** previously called as **SHAMITH. K (Old name),** my son born on 05/11/2008 vide Affidavit sweared on 24.04.2024 before Notary - SRI. DAYANANDA. G, BENGALURU

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **Lakshmamma** W/o Late Venkatappa, aged about 62 years, residing at Mudenahalli Village, Channarayapatna Hobli, Devanahalli Taluk, Bangalore Rural District, That my mistake my name has been mentioned as **Venkatalakshmamma** instead of Lakshmamma in Aadhar Card. My correct name is **Lakshmamma**. Vide affidavit dated 24th April 2024 sworn before Advocate & Notary **A Narayanaswamy**, Vijayapura Town, Devanahalli Taluk.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **NADIGARA NINGAPPA GANGAMMA**, W/o, Mahalingappa Ningappa Bharamannaikanadurga, aged about 68 years, Residing at No.23, 3rd Cross, Garden Villas, Nagarabhavi Main Road, Nagarabhavi, Bengaluru-560072, Karnataka.,have changed my name from **GANGAMMA** (Old Name) to **NADIGARA NINGAPPA GANGAMMA** (New Name), vide Affidavit dated:24.04.2024, sworn before Advocate & Notary Public, **S.N. Madhu,** Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, IMRAN FAROOQI (New Name), S/o. Fakir Mohammed, residing at No. 38/1, 5th Main, Maruthi Layout, BTM Layout 1st Stage, Near HDFC Bank, Bangalore-560029, Karnataka, India, that I have changed my name from PATEL FAKIR MOHAMMED IMRAN FAROOQI (Old Name) to IMRAN FAROOQI (New Name), henceforth I shall be known and called IMRAN FAROOQI (New Name) only for all purpose, vide Affidavit dated : 24/04/2024, before Notary MOHAMMED HUSSAIN.K, Bangalore.

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I, **(OLD NAME) ANNAMMA,** Spouse of NO.JC- 305260N EX SUB MAJ/ HONY LT MATHEW.K.V, Residing at NO.149, Near Anjanadri Govt School, Doddakannehalli, Carmelaram (Post), Bangalore, KARNATAKA (State), PIN: 560035, Have Changed My Name to **(NEW NAME) ANNAMMA MATHEW,** Vide Affidavit Dated 22.04.2024 Sworn Before Notary MEER HASSAN BANGALORE

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **(OLD NAME), SALMA SULTANA BEGUM,** Spouse of NO JC-333206W SUB MAJ SHAKIR HUSSAIN PATHAN, Residing at Villa NO. 5, Guru Raghavendra Royal Palms, Balaji Layout, Gajularamaram (Vill), Qutubullapur (Tehsil), Medchal (Dist), TELANGANA (State), PIN: 500055, Have Changed My Name to **(NEW NAME) SALMA SULTANA BEGUM PATHAN,** Vide Affidavit Dated 22.04.2024 Sworn Before Notary MEER HASSAN BANGALORE

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **ABDUL AZEEZ**, S/o Aboobakkar, R/o No.204/A, 6th Cross Road, Suncity Main Road K S Town, Kengeri, Bangalore - 560060, have permanently changed my name from **ABDUL AZEEZ** to **MAHAMMAD SHAHEED**, vide affidavit dated 24/04/2024, sworn before notary L.Puttaraju, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **PREMALEELA ATTIBELE BASVASETTY,** W/o Late Siddalingappa Mahanthappa, age 77 years, R/at No. 1741, 15th Main, 17th Cross, M C Layout, Vijayanagar, Bengaluru-560 040 do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **PREMALEELA SIDDALINGAPPA** to **PREMALEELA ATTIBELE BASVASETTY,** henceforth I shall be known and called as **PREMALEELA ATTIBELE BASVASETTY** for all purposes, vide affidavit dated 23rd April 2024, sworn before Advocate and Notary **GANGARAJU .B.N.** at Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **VENKATESHA BABU NANGLI KODANDARAMASETTY,** S/o Kodandarama Setty Nangli Venkatarama Chetty, residing at #80, 71st Cross, 5th Block, Near Daily Thanthi Press, Rajajinagar, Bengaluru-560 010, have changed my name to **VENKATESH BABU NANDLI KODANDARAMASETTY,** vide affidavit dated 24.04.2024 before Notary **S.I. Balaguru,** Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **SHAIK AMEER HASAN,** aged about 83 Years, Son of LATE. MOHAMMED ABDUL RAHIM, Residing at NO.31/1, 3RD FLOOR, 6TH MAIN ROAD, PALACE GUTTAHALLI, BENGALURU NORTH, BENGALURU-560003, KARNATAKA, declare that my Father **MOHAMMED ABDUL RAHIM** (New Name) has changed his name from **MOHAMED ABDUL RAHEEM** (Old Name) to **MOHAMMED ABDUL RAHIM** (New Name), henceforth the name of my father shall be known and called as **MOHAMMED ABDUL RAHIM** (New Name) for all my personal, official & legal purpose, vide Affidavit dated : 23/04/2024 before Notary **C.V.EARAPPA,** at BENGALURU.

CHANGE OF NAME

I. **ANUPAMA PAI,** W/o Sridhar Padmanabha Shanbhogue, aged about 50 years, and previously called as ANUPAMA SRIDHAR SHANBHOGUE, R/at :No.C2-1306, L and T South City, Bannerghatta Road, Near IIM Bangalore, Bangalore - 560076, Karnataka. I have changed my name from **"ANUPAMA SRIDHAR SHANBHOGUE " to " ANUPAMA PAI "** by an affidavit sworn to before Notary **Neha Baddi,** Dated:22-04-2024 at Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, Sivarajan Sambandam Mudaliar (Old Name), S/o. Late M. Sambandam, aged about 80 years, R/at # 302, Sri Jagadguru Gamtacharya Bhavana, BEML 3rd Stage, 8th Main Road, Basawesh wara Circle Rajarajeshwari Nagar, Bengaluru - 560 059 I have changed my name as **S. SIVARAJAN** (New Name) vide affidavit dated 24.04.2024 sworn before Advocate & Notary Ravi, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, SERVICE NO.JC- 333206W SUB MAJ SHAKIR HUSSAIN PATHAN, Residing at Villa NO.5, Guru Raghavendra Royal Palms, Balaji Layout, Gajularamaram (Vill), Qutubullapur (Tehsil), Medchal (Dist), TELANGANA (State), PIN: 500055, Have Changed My Daughter Name **(OLD NAME) ARSHIYA MEHWISH** to **(NEW NAME) ARSHIYA MEHWISH PATHAN,** And Daughter **(OLD NAME) ARISHA MEHWISH** to **(NEW NAME) ARISHA MEHWISH PATHAN,** Vide Affidavit Dated 22.04.2024 Sworn Before Notary MEER HASSAN BANGALORE

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **SOUMYA DIPAK MUKHERJEE** S/o Dipak Kumar Mukhopadhyay R/o Flat No. H-2001, Mantri Serenity Apartment, Doddakallasandra Bangalore - 560062, declare that, I have permanently changed my name from **SOUMYA DIPAK MUKHERJEE** to **SOUMYA MUKHERJEE**, vide affidavit dated 24/04/2024, sworn before notary L.Puttaraju, Bangalore.

NAME CONFIRMATION

I, Mrs. Tejaswini .T.S., Aged 38 years, W/o. Prasad .J.P., Residing at No. 97, Bangaragiri Nilaya, 5th Cross, 7th Main, Near SBI Bank, Bhuvaneshwari Nagar, T. Dasarahalli, Bangalore - 560057. I submit that, her name in Aadhar Card No. 6015 7207 7940 and Birth Certificate mentioned as VEDITHA J.P. GOWDA and Passport **No. T9424754,** issued by Republic of India mentioned as **VEDITHA JEERAHALLI PRASAD,** instead of **VEDITHA JEERAHALLI PRASAD GOWDA,** Surname **"GOWDA"** is not reflecting, henceforth my daughter's name in Passport and all other Records mentioned as **VEDITHA JEERAHALI PRASAD GOWDA.** Sworn made before Advocate & Notary Anuradha .R., Bengaluru - 560090.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **RANI DEVI** C/o Surendra Kumar Kashyap, age 45 years, R/o U 18, Ashirwad 2nd Cross, Chaitanya Techno School, Nagappa Street, Palace Guttahalli, Bangalore North, Bengaluru states that I was previously known as **K.M. RANI KASHYAP** and now I have changed my name to **RANI DEVI,** before the Notary Public **Sri B.S. Padma Prasad** on 23-04-2024 and this name shall hold good for all future purposes.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **Miss. SYEDA NUMAIN TASNEEM,** D/o. SYED ASADULLA, aged about 23 years, residing at No. 36, Ajjahalli Village, Adaragi Garam Panchayath, Kudur Hobli, Magadi Taluk, Ramanagra District, do hereby declare that my mother's correct name from **NAZIMA ASADULLA TASNEEM** to **NAZIMA TASNEEM,** hereinafter my mother's name will be known and called as **NAZIMA TASNEEM** for all purposes, vide affidavit dated 24.04.2024, sworn to before S.T. Thippeswamy, Advocate & Notary Public, Govt. of India, Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **SANTOSH BHADRI GUDDANNA VEERABHADRAPPA** and also known as **SANTOSH BHADRI G.V.** S/o Late G. Veerabhadrappa, residing at No. 782, 14th Cross, 7th Block Jayanagar, West of Kanakapura Road, Bangalore - 560070 have changed my name as **SANTOSH** (GIVEN NAME) **BHADRI** (SUR NAME) (New Name), vide affidavit dated 24-04-2024 before Notary Public MOHAMMED HUSSAIN K, B'lore.

CHANGE OF NAME

We,**Ved Prakash** and **Shefali Prakash** Parents of **PRADANYA PRAKASH.** R/o 251 BRICKFIELD SHELTERS Bendiganahalli Attibele Bengaluru 562107.Have changed the name of our minor daughter **Peehu Prakash.** She shall hereafter be known as **Pradanya Prakash.** Vide Affidavit Number IN-KA87485966008812W dated 22/04/24 before Notary L Gopalakrishna

CHANGE OF NAME

I, Soumya Nyamagoud (Old Name), W/o. Prashantkumar, aged about 28 years, R/at # 1136, 1st Floor, 2nd Main, 2nd Cross, 5th Stage, BEML Layout, Rajarajeshwari Nagar, Bengaluru - 560 098 I have changed my name as **VANI DODAMANI** (New Name) vide affidavit dated 24.04.2024 sworn before Advocate & Notary Ravi, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **Shaleen Gupta** S/o Sujeet Kumar Gupta, Residing at no.72,2nd cross,Nandi Durga Extn, Jayamahal , Bangalore -560046 have changed my name to **Shaleen Aditya Gupta** vide affidavit dated: 23/4/2024 Sworn before notary Leela, Bangalore

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **SIVADHI SEKHAR**, D/o Sivaraj Shekar, R/o Flat No. A-903 Kristal Beryl Apartments B G Road, Gottigere, Bangalore - 560083, have permanently changed my name from **SIVADHI SEKHAR** to **SHIVADHI SHEKAR**, vide affidavit dated 24/04/2024 sworn before notary L.Puttaraju, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, Nikhil Devalapura Kotrappa (Old Name),S/o.Basavaraj D. K., aged about 24 years, R/at # 162, 1st Main, 2nd Cross, Sapthagiriy Layout, Mysore Road, Muturaya Nagara, Indian Statistical Institute, Bangalore, University, R. V. Nikethan Post, Bengaluru - 560 059 I have changed my name as **NIKHIL D K.** (New Name) vide affidavit dated 24.04.2024 sworn before Advocate & Notary Ravi, Bangalore.

AFFIDAVIT

I, **PALLAVI .J**, D/o. Jayathirtha .R.A, aged about 49 years, residing at No. 627, 2nd Stage, BHEL Layout, (HBCS) Near BBMP Office, Pattanagere, R.R. Nagar, Bangalore - 560 098, do hereby declare that my correct name and actual name is **PALLAVI .J** is mentioned in my SSLC Marks Card and my Aadhar Card. But in my name PUNJAB NATIONAL BANK, Account my name has been mentioned as **Bhoomika .J,** instead of **PALLAVI .J** vide affidavit dated 23.04.2024 sworn to before H.H. Nagaraj, Advocate & Notary Public, Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **NAGARATHNAMMA** W/o K.M. Thimmarayappa, residing at KT Halli, Nidagal Hobli, Pavagada Taluk, Kondethimmanahalli, Tumkur District-572 116, have changed my name to **NAGARATHNAMMA O,** vide affidavit dated 24.04.2024 before Notary **S.I. BALAGURU,** Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME

We, **Sri. ROSHAN .K.R,** Aged about 38 years, S/o. Ramachandra .K.A, and **Smt. RAMYA .B,** Aged about 29 years, W/o. Roshan .K.R, Residing at : # 12/A, Mathrushree Nilaya, 3rd Cross, Pipeline Road, Santhosh Nagar, T. Dasarahalli, Bangalore North, Bangalore - 560 057, do hereby declare that we have changed our minor daughter's name from **Kumari Rashmika .K.R** to **NITHARA RIYANSHI** vide affidavit dated 23.04.2024 sworn to before Kodi Nagappa, Advocate & Notary Public, Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **MEENA GOVINDA RAO** aged 40 years W/o **Venkatesh Rao** R/at No.7, Venkoba Rao Building 1st Main Road, Beside Mudlappa Complex Kenchenahalli, Rajarajeshwari Nagar, Bengaluru-560098, have changed my name to **MEENA BAI** vide affidavit dated: 24/4/2024 Before Notary **H.S.Sakalesh Aradhya** Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

We **MADHU & SUNIL BIDARAKATTI,** both residing at No.27, 2nd Cross, Adarsh Nagar, R.T. Nagar Post, Bangalore – 560 032, declare that **NAKSH BIDARAKATTI** (new name) is our son, his date of birth is 11-08-2016 previously called **NAKSH** (old name), now with the new name **NAKSH BIDARAKATTI** Vide Affidavit dated 22-04-2024 Sworn before Sivakumara M. N.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **Sabitha Gupta** W/o Sujeet Kumar Gupta, Residing at no.72,2nd cross, Nandi Durga Extn, Jayamahal , Bangalore -560046 have changed my name to **Sabitha Sujeet Gupta** vide affidavit dated: 23/4/2024 Sworn before notary Leela, Bangalore

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **(OLD NAME) RAJESWARI,** Mother of NO. JC-313204K SUB SANTOSH.S, Residing at Sathya Nagar, Iyanana Compund, M.S. Nagar Post, Bangalore, KARNATAKA (State), PIN: 560033, Have Changed My Name to **(NEW NAME) RAJESHWARI,** And **DOB** from **01.07.1958** to **01.01.1965,** Vide Affidavit Dated 22.04.2024 Sworn Before Notary MEER HASSAN BANGALORE.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **PRASANNA KUMAR .T.S** S/o T.M. Subramanya Bhat, age 43 years, R/at #214, Srimitra Sympony Apartment, Anup Layout, Near Hoodi Railway Station, Hoodi, Bengaluru-48, Karnataka, do hereby declare that I have changed my name from PRASANNA KUMARA .T.S to **PRASANNA KUMAR .T.S,** henceforth I shall be known and called as **PRASANNA KUMAR .T.S** for all purposes, vide affidavit dated 23rd April 2024, sworn before Advocate and Notary **P.K. NALINAKSHI** at Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **SHARAVATHI DEEPAK NAIDU,** W/o Deepak Naidu, residing at #18, 1st Cross, Rathnamma Layout, Manorayanapalya, R.T. Nagar Post, Bengaluru-560 032, have changed my name to **SHARAVATHI DEEPAK,** vide affidavit dated 23/04/2024 sworn before Notary **M.N. SIVAKUMARA,** Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **SONAM GUPTA,** resident of Flat No. 105, Surya Shell Heights, Hosa Road, Near Shell Petrol Pump, kasavanahalli, Kaikondahalli, Bengaluru-560 035, Karnataka do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **SONAM SANTOSH KUMAR GUPTA** to **SONAM GUPTA,** henceforth I shall be known and called as **SONAM GUPTA** for all purposes, vide affidavit dated 24-04-2024, sworn before Advocate and Notary **S. JAYANNA** at Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, TULSI DAS BHAGWANDAS (OLD NAME) Residing at No. 03, MIG 1st Floor, 4th Phase, 707 House, 1st Main Road, Yelahanka New Town Near AIR Qtrs, Bangalore, Karnataka-560064, have changed my name as **TULSI DAS NAYADI (NEW NAME)** vide affidavit sworn before Notary S.R.Ravikumar, on 12.04.2024 at Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **SRINATH RAJU M** resident of No. 159, 2nd Floor, AECS Layout, RMV 2nd Stage, Sanjaynagar Main Road, Bengaluru- 560094, have changed my minor son's Name from **MOURYA M** to **MOURYA MADIRAJU** vide Affidavit dated: 22-04-2024 before Notary **N PERUVAZHUTHI,** Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **(OLD NAME) RAHAMATH,** Mother of NO. JC- 333206W SUB MAJ SHAKIR HUSSAIN PATHAN, Residing at Villa NO. 5, Guru Raghavendra Royal Palms, Balaji Layout, Gajularamaram (Vill), Qutubullapur (Tehsil), Medchal (Dist), TELANGANA (State), PIN:500055, Have Changed My Name to **(NEW NAME) PATHAN RAHAMATH,** And **DOB** from **01.07.1940** to **19.09.1959** Vide Affidavit Dated 22.04.2024 Sworn Before Notary MEER HASSAN BANGALORE.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **(OLD NAME) SHANMUGHAM.M.V,** Father of NO. JC- 313204K, SUB SANTOSH.S, Residing at Sathya Nagar, Iyanana Compund, M.S. Nagar Post, Bangalore, KARNATAKA (State), PIN: 560033, Have Changed My Name to **(NEW NAME) V. SHANMUGAM,** And **DOB** from **01.07.1948** to **19.06.1948,** Vide Affidavit Dated 22.04.2024 Sworn Before Notary MEER HASSAN BANGALORE

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **Smt Mohini** W/o No. JC-7634377 Ex-PNR late B D Rudrayya presently residing at # SF 01, Badami Banashankari Residency, 5th Main, 2nd Cross, Appaiahswamy Layout, Uttarahalli, Bengaluru, Karnataka have changed my name from **MOHINI** to **B R MOHINI** vide Affidavit dated 23/04/2024 before **L Puttaraju,** Advocate and Notary, Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **SRI. SHUBHUM S CHOLIN,** S/o. Shreedhar Shidhappa Cholin, aged about 27 years, residing at No. 11/2, Nydile, Ganagalu Road, Ner Kanakana Compound, Mallanna Layout, Hosakote, Bangalore Rural, do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **SHUBHUM** to **SHUBHUM S CHOLIN** vide affidavit dated 24.04.2024 sworn to before B. Chitra, Advocate & Notary Public, Govt. of India, Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **Mr. SYED ASADULLA,** S/o. Late SYED AMEER, aged about 58 years, residing at No. 36, Ajjahalli Village, Adaragi Garam Panchayath, Kudur Hobli, Magadi Taluk, Ramanagra District, do hereby declare that my wife recorded name in school and college is **NAZIMA TASNEEM** But in my passport it is wrongly mentioned as **NAZIMA ASADULLA TASNEEM,** and now I have changed my wife name from **NAZIMA ASADULLA TASNEEM** to **NAZIMA TASNEEM** hereinafter my wife's will be known and called as **NAZIMA TASNEEM** for all purposes, vide affidavit dated 24.04.2024, sworn to before S.T. Thippeswamy, Advocate & Notary Public, Govt. of India, Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME

I. **NAGARAJA.N.A,** aged about 74 Years, S/o. Anantharama Shetty Nama, R/a No. 12, Ajay Raj Building, Opp. Rameshwara Temple, KEB Road, Ittamadu, BSK-3rd-Stage, Bangalore-85, have changed my name from **"NAGARAJA. N.A"** To **"NAGARAJ. N.A"** for family & personal reasons, by an affidavit sworn to before Notary **Dr. BKR. Krishnamurthy,** LLB, Ph.D, Dated: 16-04-2024 at Bangalore. Henceforth I shall be known by my new name of **"NAGARAJ. N.A."** for all Purposes & Records.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, DILSHAD UNNISSA residing at # 13, 7TH Cross, Rose Garden, Neelasandra, Bangalore 560 047, have changed my name from **DILSHADUN NISSA to DILSHAD UNNISSA,** vide affidavit dated 24/4/2024 sworn to before V.Rajashekhara advocate and notary Bangalore.

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RAJ B SHETTY JOINS VIJAY KUMAR IN JADESHAA K HAMPI'S VK-29

It will be an interesting, fresh combination of two noted performers sharing the silver screen for the first time

A SHARADHAA

EXCITEMENT builds around Vijay Kumar's upcoming film, tentatively titled *VK-29* and helmed by director Jadeshaa K Hampi. Billed as an action-packed period family drama, the film is set to commence its shooting schedule by the end of April. This much-talked-about venture, with a script by director Jadeshaa, is said to be inspired by K Shivaram Karanth's classic Chomana Dudi.

Amidst the buzz surrounding *VK-29's* announcement and its poster released during the auspicious muhurath function, which caught attention, new revelations have emerged, adding an element of excitement. According to our reliable source, joining the ensemble cast is none other than the versatile actor Raj B Shetty. The director of *Ondu Motteya Kathe* and *Garuda Gamana Vrishabha Vahana* is equally noted for his performances in films like *Toby* and *Swathi Mutthina Male Haniye*. The actor, who is shooting for Arjun Janya's directorial debut debut, *45* is also part of some Malayalam films, most notably the upcoming Mammootty starrer *Turbo*.

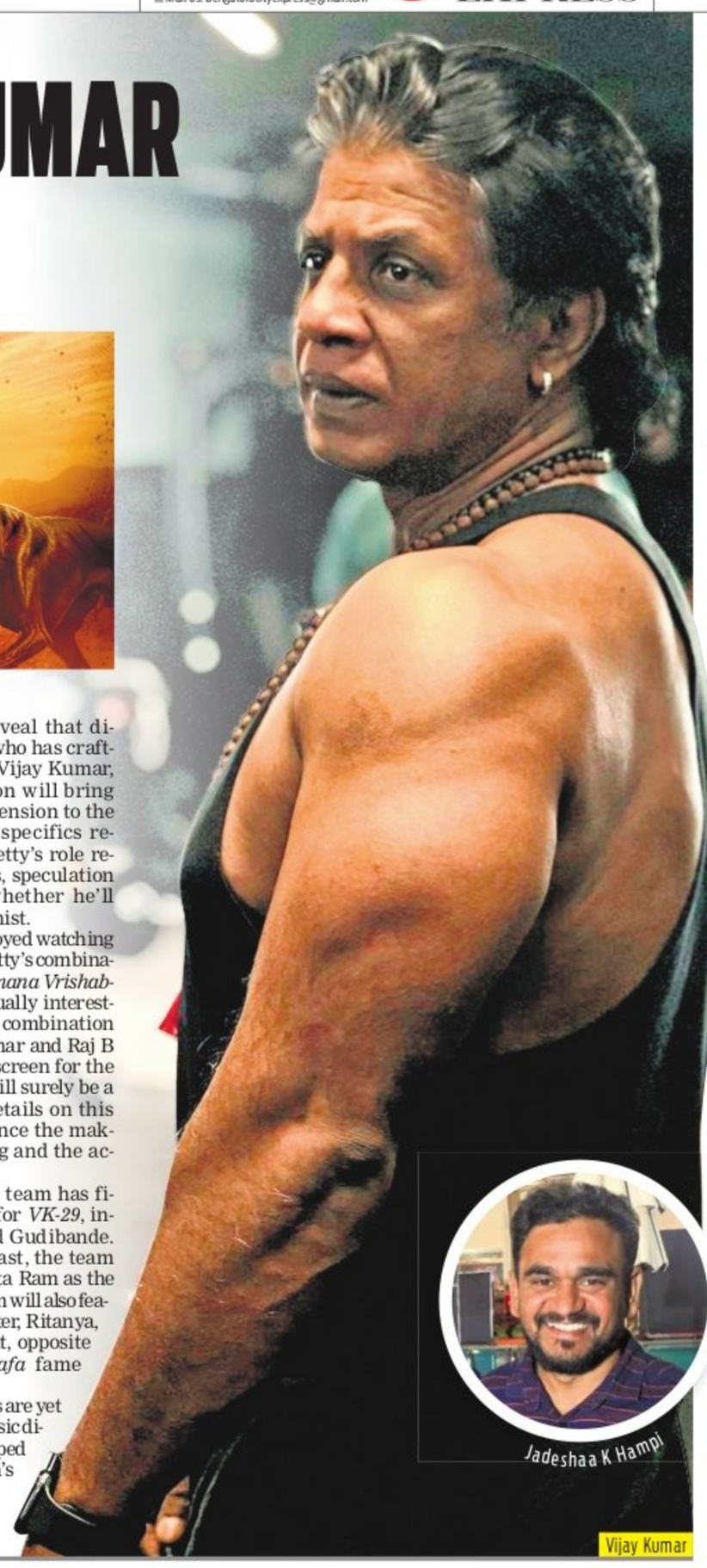
Our sources reveal that director Jadeshaa, who has crafted characters for Vijay Kumar, and Raj's inclusion will bring an additional dimension to the narrative. While specifics regarding Raj B Shetty's role remain under wraps, speculation abounds about whether he'll portray an antagonist.

While people enjoyed watching Raj and Rishab Shetty's combination in *Garuda Gamana Vrishabha Vahana*, it's equally interesting to witness the combination between Vijay Kumar and Raj B Shetty on the big screen for the first time, which will surely be a highlight. More details on this will be revealed once the makers begin shooting and the actors join the sets.

Meanwhile, the team has finalised locations for *VK-29*, including Kolar and Gudibande. As for the other cast, the team announced Rachita Ram as the female lead. The film will also feature Vijay's daughter, Ritanya, in her acting debut, opposite *Daredevil Musthafa* fame Shishir.

While the makers are yet to announce the music director, they have roped in Swamy as the film's cinematographer.

Raj B Shetty



Jadeshaa K Hampi

Vijay Kumar

Preity Zinta starts filming for *Lahore 1947*

CE FEATURES

PREITY Zinta has joined the sets of Sunny Deol's upcoming film, *Lahore 1947*. On Tuesday, the actor took to social media to share a behind-the-scenes photo from the sets. She will be making a comeback with the film, which is being directed by Rajkumar Santoshi and produced by Aamir Khan.

Preity was last seen in *Bhaiaji Superhit* in 2018, which also starred Sunny Deol. Both the actors have earlier worked together in films like *Hero: Love Story of a Spy* (2003) and *Farz* (2001).

Lahore 1947 was announced in October last year and marks the first collaboration between Aamir Khan and Sunny Deol. Santoshi and Deol have previously collaborated in three box office successes, including *Ghayal* (1990), *Damini* (1993), and *Ghatak* (1996). It also marks the reunion of Aamir Khan and Santoshi after their iconic cult classic, *Andaz Apna Apna* (1994).

Telugu version of Markasthra titled *Maranayudham* to release this weeek

CE FEATURES

MALASHREE'S action-drama *Marakastra*, directed by Gurumurthy Sunami and produced by Komala Nataraaja was released last year, but received mixed responses at the box office. However, the makers have dubbed it in Telugu as *Maranayudham* and released it on April 19. After trimming the runtime by about 26 minutes, the film hit screens in Andhra Pradesh and Telangana.

Interestingly, the Kannada version, also edited, is scheduled for statewide release in Karnataka and Telangana on April 26. Apart from Malashree, the film also stars Anand Arya, Harshika Poonacha, 'Ugram' Manju, Nataraj, Ayyappa P Sharma, among others in prominent roles.

Producer-actor Nataraj mentioned that despite a low turnout during the initial release due to a cricket match and festive season, the Telugu distributors decided to take the film after noticing its potential. They are also planning to host a free screening for labourers on April 27.

Malashree, who initially expressed hesitation, eventually embraced the project and praised the director's passion. She also urged everyone to watch the film.

Malashree

Rajamohan's directorial is set to reunite *Love Mocktail* pair, and it also stars Prakash Raj and Telugu actor Sunil

Amrutha Iyengar joins Krishna in *Father*

Krishna

CE FEATURES

RC Studios' *Father*, directed by filmmaker Rajamohan in his Kannada debut, featuring Prakash Raj and Krishna as the father-son duo, along with Telugu actor Sunil in a prominent role, is all set for a grand launch on April 27. Meanwhile, it has come to light that the makers are set to reunite the *Love Mocktail* pair on screen, with Amrutha Iyengar starring alongside Krishna in *Father*. The popular 'Jo' character in *Love Mocktail*, which marked Krishna's directorial debut, provided a breakthrough role for Amrutha. It will be interesting to see this combination back on the silver screen. An official announcement of Amrutha joining the cast will be made on the day of the muhurath. *Father* will also mark the debut of the music director of the hit film Hanu-Man, Gowra Hari, in Kannada.

A collaboration between R Chandru, Alankar Pandian of Invenio Origin Company, and businessman Seekal Ramachandra Gowda, *Father* will mark the first multilingual project for both Krishna and Amrutha Iyengar. It is presented by Anand Pandit.

Apart from *Father*, the production house has lined up five more projects, comprising POK, Sri Ramabana Charita, Dog, Kabzaa 2, and a project with Shivarajkumar. Currently, Krishna is busy shooting for his period drama, *Halagali*, and will simultaneously begin shooting for *Father*. As for Amrutha Iyengar, the actor was last seen in *Abbabba*. She has also completed shooting for *Zebra*, a bilingual project made in Kannada and Telugu, starring Dhananjay and Satyadev.

Amrutha Iyengar

Sahadev Kelvadi's *Kenda* earns prestigious selection at DPIFF

CE FEATURES

CINEMATOGRAPHER-turned-director Sahadev Kelvadi's upcoming film *Kenda* is set to hit the theatres in June, but before that, it's making waves at the prestigious Dada Saheb Phalke Film Festival. The film will be screened at the festival on April 30 in Mumbai.

Kenda, written and directed by Sahadev Kelvadi, is an absurdist political satire centered around a young man working in a foundry in the bustling city of Bengaluru. It delves into various social aspects, including politics and crime, exploring how the protagonist, a labourer, gets entangled in the complex web of the system and the trajectory his life takes. It is produced by Roopa Rao of *Gantumoote* fame, in collaboration with first-time director Sahadev, under the banner of Ameyukti Studios.

Notably, *Kenda* will also mark the debut of Ritwik Kaikini, the son of renowned lyricist Jayanth Kaikini, as a music composer. The film features a cast consisting of mostly newcomers, including Bharath BV, Pranav Sridhar, and Vinod Ravindran. Adding to the talent pool, Shreyank Nanjappa, known for his work in the Oscar-winning documentary *Elephant Whisperers*, has worked as a sound designer for *Kenda*.

A still from the film